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TWENTIETH ANNUAL REPORT

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COMMISSIONERS

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PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION,

FOR THE YEAR 1879.

HON. EDWARD COOPER,

Mayor of the City of New York.

DEAR SIR.—We, the undersigned, Commissioners of Public Charities and Correction, herewith present to you the Annual Report of the Department for the year 1879.

In regard to the general condition of the different Institutions, we respectfully refer you to the reports herein of the officers in charge of the Institutions in the Department.

In regard to the views of the Commissioners as to the working of the Department, they respectfully refer you to their letters in previous Annual Reports, which treat in detail of nearly all matters concerned with the Department. Each year improvements are made, and the Commissioners desire and would be greatly honored if you will make a personal examination in regard to the statements herein presented to you.

Respectfully,

TOWNSEND COX,
THOMAS S. BRENNAN,
JACOB HESS.

NEW YORK, April 20, 1880.

HON. TOWNSEND COX,
President Board of Commissioners of
Public Charities and Correction.

SIR.—I respectfully present herewith the Balance Sheet of the Appropriations provided for this Department for the year 1879, as also statement in condensed form and in detail of the Expenditures for the same year.

Respectfully submitted,

R. M. HEDDEN,
General Bookkeeper.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION,

In account with the COMPTROLLER OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

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To amount expended for Salaries	$313,095 37	By appropriation for Salaries	$313,100 00
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" " "	Store Department	9,636 27		
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" " "	Steamboat Department	27,606 38		
" " "	Central Office Stable	11,550 08		
" " "	Gardens	1,283 66		
			$89,893 43	
	IMPROVEMENTS.			
Dec. 31.	By Bath House at Alms House	$616 51		
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Ammunition	131	54	Canned Vegetables	299	72
Axle Grease	70	92	" Fruit	230	64
Alcohol	4,951	98	Carpenter Work	67	25
Architect's Fees	135	00	Druggists' Glassware	1,575	05
Blankets	8,390	90	Drugs	25,527	39
Barley	811	58	Dry Goods	40,464	52
Beans	1,626	56	Disinfectant	880	77
Beef, Fresh	112,836	45	Dried Apples	666	13
" Extra Diet	8,299	62	Eggs	9,830	10
" Salt	7,000	00	Farming Implements	125	47
Mutton	15,003	45	Fire Extinguishers	2,558	50
Officers' Rations	43,114	55	Fish, Fresh	11,711	09
Boats and Repairs	607	81	" Salt	4,094	74
Brooms	1,295	11	Flour	103,676	29
Brushes	956	13	Fruit	154	77
Butter	21,221	90	Furnitnre	7,230	85
Buttons	226	34	Flaxseed	578	48
Baking Powder	203	50	Feed	21	75
Blacking	75	34	Glass	7	50
Building Material	1,771	64	Gas Retorts	1,173	34
Boilers	162	00	Gas Coal	3,867	80
Blue	144	00	Gas Light	4,333	22
Bran	258	20	Gas Fixtures	648	27
Beef, Smoked	36	00	Gas, Oxygen	204	01
Baskets	64	50	Gasoline	398	76
Binding Reports	45	00	Garden Seeds	368	10
Blinds	409	00	Groceries, Small	1,009	02
Crackers	836	41	Glue	118	98
Candles	477	60	Hardware	7,448	47
Candy	22	92	Harness, &c	748	98
Charcoal	295	25	Hats and Caps	1,490	42
Cheese	1,689	86	Hay	759	65
Coal, Institutions	44,480	25	Horseshoeing	951	15
" Out-door Poor	34,132	15	Hosiery	1,211	77
" Steamboats	3,304	07	Hominy	814	50
" Carting	206	23	Head Cheese	118	65
" Hoisting	206	23	Ham	553	71
Crockery	3,707	91	Ice	2,096	55
Clocks	231	09	Iron	4,169	73
Coffee	7,965	88	Inspection, Steamboats	85	70
Cocoa	550	09	Inspection, Coal	46	00
Chicory	309	52	Insect Powder	119	50
Colored Home	16,488	98	Indigo	48	20
Colored Orphan Asylum	4,672	16	Lamps and Wick	232	62
Combs	489	59	Lard	376	76
Clothing	2,721	51	Leather and Findings	15,457	05
Cotton and Thread	2,749	55	Lime, Chloride of	710	50
Copper	32	33	" Common	79	30
Cleaning Central Office	180	00	Live Stock	1,269	50
Corks	317	80	Lumber	12,267	91
Carrots	1,313	00	Lead	335	83
Corn Starch	171	54	Lemons	400	50
Cakes	28	60	Lint	1,646	00
Carried forward	$358,473	30	Carried forward	$633,734	76

Brought forward	$633,734 76
Liquors: Whisky	4,901 34
Liquors: Brandy	712 95
Liquors: Rum	113 75
Liquors: Wine, Sherry	192 50
Liquors: " Port	1,140 22
Liquors: " Claret	1 25
Mustard	241 33
Malt and Hops	374 75
Meals to Prisoners	309 45
Meals to Paupers	888 92
Matches	425 05
Meal, Fine	1,042 57
" Coarse	1,823 31
" White	456 02
" Oat	1,543 00
Milk	30,374 76
Mittens	131 11
Molasses and Syrup	4,362 23
Mops	89 25
Medical Books	120 63
Mineral Water	246 00
Macaroni	177 76
Maintenance, Randall's Island Children	13,161 69
Maintenance, Farmed-out Children	8,105 01
Musical Instruments	5 50
Marble Slabs	72 00
Moving Buildings	585 00
Miscellaneous	577 19
Notions	331 04
Onions	575 50
Oakum	969 47
Oats	2,095 00
Oiled Muslin	310 00
Oil, Kerosene	645 69
" Lard	180 82
" Sperm	571 60
" Cod Liver	1,360 84
" Signal	91 66
" Linseed	1,102 28
" Polishing	59 80
" Cylinder	332 47
" Engine	116 40
" Suits	104 95
Paints	3,353 15
Painters' Material	374 35
Pepper	732 79
Petty Expenses, Central Office	1,143 94
Postage	1,243 85
Potatoes	13,361 79
Pork	3,461 75
Photographing	221 30
Poultry	7,738 66
Plumbing	759 44
Powder and Fuse	63 00
Porter	65 25
Peas	932 05
Paper	39 26
Paper Ware	381 00
Carried forward	$748,628 40

Brought forward	$748,628 40
Prunes	489 57
Printing Material	531 92
Pickles	727 90
Potash	14 25
Pressed Corn Beef	14 20
Plaster Paris	53 50
Parchment	12 00
Pumps	600 00
Pile Drivers	190 00
Quilts	1,929 60
Rent	120 00
Rice	5,429 84
Rope	621 70
Rubber Goods	1,815 46
Rye	1,036 60
Roofing Material	197 00
Removing Bodies of Deceased Children	36 00
Raisins	127 00
Refreshments	210 29
Repairing Ovens	25 00
Repairing Stained Glass Windows	30 00
Removing Boilers	2,000 00
Salaries	313,095 37
Salt	823 66
Starch	143 56
Straw	4,462 51
Sewing Machine Materials	192 33
Shirts	761 89
Soap	7,489 23
Shoes	1,867 91
Sponge	426 92
Stone Flagging	196 50
Stove Fittings	4,264 26
Steel	331 59
Sugar	28,476 22
Surgical Instruments	4,035 00
Scales	222 67
Sal Soda	251 15
Steam Fittings	2,259 90
Serving Death Notices	172 43
Shorts	186 34
Sash	110 60
Sash Cord	68 25
Soap, Castile	154 56
Transportation	1,612 26
Tea	6,364 05
Telegraphic Supplies	335 06
Tin	4,065 13
Tinware	156 98
Twine	219 54
Turpentine	317 09
Tallow	115 56
Turnips	1,804 50
Trees	263 58
Tapioca	18 37
Tobacco	17 80
Vegetables	25 20
Vehicles	2,441 66
Carried forward	$1,147,589 86

Brought forward	$1,147,589 86
Vinegar	662 46
Wood	638 85
Wooden Ware	154 99
Washing Fluid	1,314 70
Wheaten Grits	865 00
Wire	179 81
Carried forward	$1,151,405 67

Brought forward	$1,151,405 67
Wire Guards	67 68
Wire Cloth	73 42
Wall Paper	8 70
Yeast	173 60
Zinc	183 25
	$1,151,912 32

Steam Fittings	$ 5,725 34	
Plumbing	539 25	
Building Matêrial	764 47	
Hardware	7 98	
Sashes, &c	35 60	
Paints, Oils, &c	763 26	
Firebrick, Tiles, &c	475 32	
Lumber	2,552 79	
Glass	904 14	
Roofing Material	2,421 88	
Drain Pipe	205 41	
Gas Fittings	19 25	
Iron Pipe	601 86	
Architect Fees	125 00	
Steamboat Repairs	7,864 47	
Bone Mill Fittings	79 75	
Arch Plates	96 29	
Searching for and Raising Steamer "Fidelity"	600 00	
Pumping and Floating " "	100 00	
Repairing Oven	100 00	
" Scow	48 85	
" Barge	110 29	
" Sewer	853 00	
Completion of West Wing, Insane Asylum, Ward's Island	17,197 70	
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STORE HOUSE, B. I.

NEW YORK, Dec. 31, 1879.

HON. TOWNSEND COX,

President Department of

Public Charities and Correction.

SIR.—The usual annual report of this Bureau of the Department for the year 1879, though long delayed from various causes, is at length submitted for your consideration.

By an examination of the papers it will be seen that the invoices during that period amount to $901,000$\frac{83}{100}$ and the Distributions during same time $888,948$\frac{93}{100}$.

A table of amounts by months and to Institutions, accompany the Report.

The Bureaux made necessary in the prosecution of the business of the Store are Bakery, Stable, Gas Works and Clothing, a brief account of such as relate directly is also submitted.

In the matter of the Bakery, where the superintendency is divided, and the consequent responsibility also divided, I propose only to give so much as comes under my supervision, and would refer you to Mr. Chancellor's report for the balance.

BLACKWELL'S ISLAND BAKERY.

During the year, the number of barrels of Flour that have been made into Bread, has reached 18,861$\frac{1}{4}$, valued at $96,419$\frac{62}{100}$.

CLOTHING BUREAU.

The number of garments furnished has amounted to 97,256.

GAS WORKS.

A new works is in course of erection, and was much needed, the old works being unable to keep pace with the requirements of the various Institutions.

Thanking you for continued confidence, I have the honor to be, very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

JOHN E. FLAGLER,

General Store Keeper.

BALANCE SHEET—DECEMBER 31, 1879.

1879.			
January	1.	Inventory	$59,745 37
"	31.	Invoices	75,162 70
February	28.	"	75,487 44
March	31.	"	90,403 93
April	30.	"	61,340 37
May	31.	"	53,288 87
June	30.	"	49,550 03
July	31.	"	77,441 74
August	31.	"	65,361 09
September	30.	"	60,880 12
October	31.	"	58,057 25
November	30.	"	68,419 23
December	31.	"	165,617 65
"	31.	Gain	45 26
			$960,801 05

1879.			
January	31.	Distributions	$72,350 01
February	28.	"	73,715 07
March	31.	"	74,734 68
April	30.	"	60,295 29
May	31.	"	57,001 53
June	30.	"	52,234 31
July	31.	"	80,553 45
August	31.	"	57,402 21
September	30.	"	65,346 39
October	31.	"	65,229 49
November	30.	"	69,965 71
December	31.	"	160,130 79
"	31.	Inventory	71,842 12
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Distributions during 1879.

City Prison	$22,401 99
Bellevue Hospital	74,841 03
Charity Hospital	80,826 38
Penitentiary	55,652 41
Maternity Hospital	6,751 96
Alms House	45,766 29
Incurable Hospital	4,982 33
Work House	45,084 71
Lunatic Asylum	90,155 63
Inebriate Asylum	395 77
Homœopathic Hospital	45,643 27
Insane Asylum	88,579 59
Randall's Island Hospital	52,819 94
Infants Hospital	28,719 13
Branch Work House	16,277 15
Hart's Island Hospital	16,823 01
Branch Lunatic Asylum	17,652 85
Steamboats	19,096 68
Central Office	5,448 05
Out Door Poor	58,602 94
Central Office Stable	4,908 13
Bath House at Alms House	616 51
Colored Home	16,488 98
B. I. Improvement	2,172 02
Carried forward	$800,716 76

Brought forward	$800 716 76
Gardens	1,283 66
Store Expenses	1,356 74
R. I. Improvement	206 60
W. I. Improvement	85 69
N. Y. Catholic Protectory	4,501 41
Institution of Mercy	8,181 71
General Drug Department	78 74
Colored Orphan Asylum	4,672 15
Nursery and Child's Hospital	220 57
Alterations to Pavilion, H. I	1,037 49
New Pavilions at H. I	12,497 45
New Truck House	367 26
Five Points House of Industry	258 00
Hog Pens	146 61
Safety Wells at Gas House	144 10
New Boilers at Bellevue Hospital and Penitentiary and Cook House at Penitentiary	12,440 74
Water-Closet Tower at B. H	10,452 80
New Gas Works at B. I	13,122 75
New Wing at Insane Asylum, W. I.	17,197 70
By Inventory	71,842 12
	$960,801 05

GENERAL DRUG DEPARTMENT.

BELLEVUE HOSPITAL, January 1, 1880.

HON. TOWNSEND COX,
President Department of
Public Charities and Correction.

SIR.—I have the honor to report to you the work of this Department during the past year.

There have been manufactured the following amounts of various articles, viz.:

2,500 lbs. Pharmaceutical Preparations.	1,500 lbs. Cerates and Ointments.
1,800 " Chemical "	1,400 " Fluid Extracts.
1,500 galls. Tinctures and Medicated Wines.	200 " Pills of various kinds.
9,000 lbs. various Syrups.	

at a net cost of $10,000; which at the lowest market rate would amount to about $16,000.

Schedule of Medicines, Liquors, Ale, etc., Purchased and Distributed during the Year 1879, and the amount of stock remaining on hand.

Expended for Drugs, etc., Liquors, Wines, Ale, etc,	$48,512 21
Stock on hand, January 1, 1879,	10,827 09
	$59,339 30

Of which there has been distributed:

To Bellevue Hospital,		$15,267 44	
" Reception " 99th street,		878 61	
" Charity, "		12,743 84	
" Lunatic Asylum,		2,187 13	
" Insane "		1,083 12	
" Homœopathic Hospital,		2,432 74	
" Randall's Island "		1,292 61	
" Infants " R. I.,		782 60	
" Hart's Island, "		1,156 93	
" City Prisons,		369 06	
" Superintendent Out-Door Poor,		1,009 76	
" Bureau Medical and Surgical Relief,	$5,619 63	5,874 53	
" " " " " 24th Ward,	254 90		
" Branch Work-house, H. I.,		29 92	
" " Lunatic Asylum, H. I.,		17 52	
" General Drug Department (expenses)		1,109 20	
			46,235 01
Stock on hand January 1, 1880,			$13,104 29

Respectfully submitted,

J. FREY,
Superintendent

BELLEVUE HOSPITAL.

JANUARY 1, 1880.

HON. TOWNSEND COX,

President Department of Public Charities and Correction:

SIR—I respectfully submit the following report for the year ending Dec. 31, 1879. The following statements and tables, in the order in which they are placed, show the number of monthly admissions, discharges and deaths during the year, the number of cases of injury brought by ambulance and otherwise, and of which number inquests have been held by coroners. I also submit a per capita statement of the daily, monthly and yearly cost of each inmate of the Institution :

Number of Patients remaining in Hospital Jan. 1, 1879		603
" " admitted during year		5,943
		6,546
Number of Patients discharged	5,230	
" " died	808	
		6,038
Remaining in Hospital Dec. 31, 1879		508

Of the number of admissions there were brought

By ambulance	1,254
By police	252
Other cases	4,437
	5,943

In comparing the foregoing statements with those of former years, it will be seen that there has been an increase in the number of patients treated. A considerable number of the injured admitted to the Institution were in a dying condition, and many of them expired within twenty-four hours after admission. This, in a great measure, adds to the death rate of the Hospital, and, taking into consideration these facts, the per centage of deaths has been for the past few years gradually on the decrease.

This is an evidence of the skill and attention of the medical staff, the high standard of nursing and the excellent sanitary condition of the Institution.

THE STURGES PAVILION.

This building, situated on the grounds of Bellevue, and of which mention has been made in a former report, was opened for the reception of patients on the 22d day of April, 1879, since which time it has received forty-three patients, upon whom surgical operations had been performed in the main building. Of this number thirty-nine were successfully treated, and four died. This is evidence of excellent results, and shows the great necessity of having many such pavilions. It is certainly very gratifying to the gentleman who donated this beautiful building to know that his generosity has been the means of alleviating so much suffering.

THE PAVILION FOR THE INSANE.

This building, also situated on the grounds of Bellevue, was opened for the reception of patients on the 21st day of June, 1879. A trained nurse from the Island Hospital was placed in charge of the female department, and a trained orderly from the Insane Asylum on Ward's Island was placed in charge of the male department. Since it has been opened four hundred and three patients have been temporarily cared for, few of them remaining in the building over ten days. Frequently, owing to the low condition of patients, we have found it necessary to remove them to the main building, where they would be free from noise, and they would be retained there until in condition to be transferred to the Asylums on the Island. The deaths in this branch of the Institution have been very few.

The increase in the number of cases of insanity and alcoholism during the past year, and the great necessity of separating this class of patients, has proved the need of such a building, and an evidence of the wise precaution of your Honorable Board in having it erected.

STEAM HEATING.

During the past year your Honorable Board has had placed in this Institution two new steam boilers in place of the six which had been previously in use. It is a fact that these two boilers do the same work at a considerable saving to the department, requiring less fuel

and less labor. The building is as well heated as with the old system. The removal of the excessive number of old boilers has given space for a new extra-diet kitchen, and your Honorable Board has had erected a new range of larger dimensions than has heretofore been in use. This has been greatly needed for the past few years. As it is now, Bellevue Hospital has as complete an extra-diet kitchen as any hospital of like character.

AMBULANCE DEPARTMENT.

For the past year there have been 1,886 calls for ambulances to the different precincts and other places in the city, to all of which the thorough-disciplined ambulance corps of this department has responded with alacrity. In the past year it has been found necessary to purchase several young, strong horses, two new ambulances, besides having several of the old ones repaired in a thorough manner. Your Honorable Board having made these additions to this department, has enabled us to respond with great promptness to the many calls when accidents have occurred.

THE EMERGENCY HOSPITAL,

Situated at No. 223 East Twenty-sixth street, has proved its necessity within the past year. The number of admissions have been one hundred and seventy-two. Number of births, one hundred and thirty-four. The number admitted after confinement, twenty-two. Number of deaths: Adults, four; children, eleven; still-births, seventeen. This little Institution, with but twelve beds, is in itself a great charity, and has been the means of sheltering and relieving a number of women who are taken suddenly ill, and whose condition in life necessitates their seeking a public asylum, and they have the means of immediate relief without being obliged to endure the hardship of a transfer to the Island with its possible ill results. It is very probable that in the course of time your Honorable Board will find the necessity of extending this great charity. The nursing cannot be surpassed, as the attending physician will testify. The sanitary condition of the building is vouched for by the few deaths and the fact that fever of any kind has not existed at any time. The results of the treatment at this Institution has been better, and will compare more than favorably with any institution of the kind in the country. Although I have the pleasure of reporting to your Honorable Board the good results of the treatment of patients at the Institution for the past year, I am

obliged to record a sad event which occurred on the 6th day of December last. At 10:55 P. M. fire was discovered in pavilions 31 and 32 by the nurse in charge. The building was occupied by females and children. The nurse gave the alarm, but the flames were so rapid that it was with great difficulty that most of the invalids were removed. As it was, three of the children were smothered in the smoke, and one of the females died of fright after she was removed from the building. The fire department were very prompt to our call, but the building being of wood was almost entirely destroyed. The fire evidently occurred in a portion of the building designated the nurse's room, but how it was caused is as yet unknown. Everything has been done to discover the cause, and an investigation by Fire Marshal Sheldon has failed to account for this most singular accident.

THE RECEPTACLE FOR THE DEAD.

I beg leave to call the attention of your Honorable Board to this branch of the department. The present building is a small shed built upon a bulkhead at the foot of Twenty-Sixth street. It is a small building, and really unfit for the purpose for which it is used. It is built entirely of wood, and it has become thoroughly impregnated with foul odors which, in warm weather, are very offensive. During the past year 4,118 bodies have been passed in and out of this shed, and many of them in an advanced state of decomposition. For the past five years, during which time I have had charge of the Institution, the average number of dead has been about 4,200 per year. These bodies are brought from all parts of the city and county, those who died in the streets from accident or otherwise, the city hospitals, and all the institutions in charge of your Honorable Board. This building is certainly an unfit receptacle for the city's dead. For a great metropolis like New York, with over a million of inhabitants, it certainly should have a proper place for the bodies of such persons who die and are taken care of by the authorities. I would respectfully suggest the building of a proper receiving vault upon the grounds lately occupied by the old pavilion alongside of the Museum. It could be built at a small cost to the city. It need be but 25 by 75 feet, built entirely of stone, about 4 feet above and 4 feet below the surface, and thus would not interfere with any building now on the grounds. The place would be always cool, and with a proper ventilating shaft would certainly be a desirable receptacle for the dead.

MECHANICAL LABOR.

As usual, the mechanical work and unskilled labor of light character has been performed by volunteer and Workhouse help. During the past year there have been manufactured two entirely new washing machines, two large doors for boiler house, new storm doors and old ones repaired and erected, also new floors in drug store, altering and repairing four hundred springs, making fracture beds and boxes, crutches and screens, also new sash to cases in Museum for exhibiting anatomical specimens, repairing floor, water closets, etc., throughout the entire building. The cellars have all been renovated and whitewashed during the past season, and are perfectly sweet and clean. The building throughout, the wards, hallways, etc., have been kalsomined and painted, and the woodwork grained. Altogether, the building has been kept in good repair.

SUPPLIES.

During the past year, and in accordance with the usual promptitude and forethought of your Honorable Board, the supplies sent to this Institution have been of excellent quality. The meats, eggs, fish, bread, vegetables, etc., have been furnished as required, and in sufficient quantities.

In my last annual report I mentioned the advantage derived from the erection of the towers containing the bath rooms and closets. The removal of the old closets and disconnecting all sewer pipe from the main building has had the desired effect of bettering the sanitary condition of the building. There are more towers now in course of erection, and I beg that your Honorable Board will not cease in the good work until they are all complete.

The Medical Board and Visiting Staff of Physicians and Surgeons have never ceased in their charitable work in attending the sick poor and giving their valuable time and advice in alleviating suffering. The House Staff have been very attentive in the performance of their duties, and the Ambulance Surgeons have been always prompt in attendance when their services were required.

The various officers and employes at this Institution have attended to their duties regularly and conducted themselves in a manner deserving of the approbation of your Honorable Board.

It gives me great pleasure to record the many acts of self-sacrifice on the part of the Clergymen of the different denominations and the Sisters of Charity in their attendance upon the sick, their many acts of charity, and in administering religious consolation. Also, the attention of the ladies of the Fruit and Flower Mission, and the pleasure the patients derived from their visits.

I beg leave to tender my ackowledgments to your Honorable Board for the consideration and the kindness I have received in the past. My respectful suggestions have frequently been approved of, and the many requisitions for supplies have in every instance been promptly furnished. I have attended to the wants of the patients in every particular with as strict an economy as circumstances would permit, and a due consideration for their welfare. In the administration of the affairs of the Institution, I have always endeavored to fulfill the wishes of your Honorable Board.

Respectfully yours,

JAMES F. O'ROURKE,
Warden.

TABLE 1.

Admissions, Discharges and Deaths for the year 1879.

Months.	Admissions.							Discharges.							Deaths.						
	Men.	Women.	Boys.	Girls.	Total.	Native.	Foreign.	Men.	Women.	Boys.	Girls.	Total.	Native.	Foreign.	Men.	Women.	Boys.	Girls.	Total.	Native.	Foreign.
January	338	189	7	8	542	211	331	172	148	2	2	324	193	131	51	27	..	2	80	33	47
February	230	145	7	4	386	157	229	267	121	2	2	392	163	229	39	33	1	..	73	31	42
March	244	160	8	4	416	170	246	271	139	5	5	420	166	254	35	22	6	1	64	32	32
April	259	184	14	4	461	195	266	279	173	7	2	461	178	283	32	30	7	2	71	34	37
May	318	193	8	3	522	187	335	242	167	9	4	422	171	251	39	31	2	..	72	24	48
June	284	177	12	..	473	160	313	310	153	6	1	470	163	307	34	19	1	1	55	13	42
July	345	215	17	4	581	228	353	276	174	13	3	466	197	269	52	27	4	2	85	29	56
August	274	177	11	9	471	189	282	289	168	10	4	471	177	294	22	29	1	4	56	21	35
September	298	222	3	7	530	192	338	212	188	5	5	410	163	247	24	14	1	1	40	9	31
October	287	208	10	4	509	190	319	281	199	5	1	486	158	328	42	23	1	..	66	16	50
November	297	190	6	2	495	175	320	335	146	4	1	486	158	328	34	40	..	1	75	24	51
December	332	214	5	6	557	197	360	247	165	7	3	422	168	254	39	29	2	1	71	26	45
Total	3506	2274	108	55	5943	2251	3692	3181	1941	75	33	5230	2055	3275	443	324	26	15	808	292	516

TABLE 2.

Nativities of those admitted for the year 1879.

Month.	United States.		Ireland.		England.		Scotland.		Germany.		France.		Canada.		Italy.		Wales.		West Indies.		Switzerland.		Sweden.		Other C'ntries.		Unknown.		Total.
	Men.	Women.	Men.	Women.	Men.	Women.	Men.	Women.	Men.	Women.	Men.	Women.	Men.	Women.	Men.	Women.	Men.	Women.	Men.	Women.	Men.	Women.	Men.	Women.	Men.	Women.	Men.	Women.	
January	136	75	117	76	15	13	7	2	50	23	2	..	4	1	8	2	1	..	1	..	2	..	2	..	4	1	..	..	542
February	97	60	70	71	16	4	9	7	28	7	2	..	..	3	3	..	..	..	1	..	3	..	2	1	2	..	..	..	386
March	103	67	99	71	13	5	11	1	19	9	2	..	2	..	3	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	4	2	1	..	416
April	120	75	90	83	18	10	1	2	27	13	4	..	1	1	4	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	1	1	6	2	..	..	461
May	101	86	129	89	14	9	8	2	30	17	9	2	1	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	3	..	12	5	..	..	522
June	111	49	111	83	15	12	5	6	32	20	4	..	2	3	4	1	1	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	6	1	4	..	473
July	152	76	149	92	9	9	2	5	41	19	3	3	3	1	2	1	2	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	5	3	..	1	581
August	106	83	110	83	8	7	4	4	30	10	7	..	1	3	4	2	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	5	1	..	..	471
September	122	70	88	113	18	17	2	7	53	11	4	2	4	..	3	..	..	1	..	..	3	3	3	1	2	3	..	..	530
October	106	84	97	99	12	11	4	5	45	21	2	1	1	1	3	..	1	1	1	..	2	..	..	..	12	..	..	..	509
November	107	68	107	92	15	12	6	4	38	10	2	5	1	2	3	..	2	..	1	1	2	..	3	..	12	..	2	..	495
December	119	78	136	100	12	11	4	2	30	24	5	2	3	2	7	2	..	1	..	..	2	..	3	1	10	3	..	..	557
Total	1380	871	1303	1052	165	121	63	47	423	184	46	15	23	17	47	10	7	4	4	2	19	4	23	4	80	21	7	1	5943

Net Ex-pens.
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138 22
184 80
131 97
139 98
135 34
127 69
126 37
106 57
122 22
108 16
124 28
150 72
96 27
33 02

TABLE 3.

Ambulance, Police and Coroners' Cases for the year 1879.

Month.	Ambulance.	Police.	Coroners.	Total.
January	127	32	25	184
February	82	21	17	120
March	76	29	7	112
April	101	25	16	142
May	109	27	20	156
June	96	26	14	136
July	140	18	26	184
August	94	17	13	124
September	109	16	10	135
October	99	11	13	123
November	98	16	24	138
December	123	14	23	160
Total	1,254	252	208	1,714

MORGUE.

The following is a Statement of Bodies received at the MORGUE *from January* 1, 1879, *to January* 1, 1880.

RECOGNIZED BODIES.

DATE.		NAME.	WHOSE CHARGE.	VERDICT.	WHERE BURIED.
Jan.	13	James McHale	Supt. O. D. P.	Alcoholism	City Cemetery.
March	8	John Meyerdirks	"	Drowning	Lutheran "
	13	Frank L. Crosby	James F. O'Rourke	Opium Poisoning	Perryville, N. Y.
	21	William Conway	Supt. O. D. P.	Drowning	Calvary Cemetery
May	4	Peter Rich	"	"	City "
	12	William O'Connell	"	Injuries	Calvary "
	16	Michael Lavane	"	Drowning	" "
	16	Edward Carey	"	"	" "
	20	John Groesbeck	"	"	Cincinnati, O.
	29	John Wilder	"	"	City Cemetery.
June	2	Charles Hall	"	Fracture of Skull	"
	3	John Fitzmaurice	"	Injuries	"
	4	Robert T. Charles	"	Drowning	Greenwood "
	10	David Dunny	"	"	City "
	13	Marc Andoney	"	Cause unknown	" "
	27	Theresa Meyer	"	Suicide	Lutheran "
	28	Thomas Kelher	"	Drowning	City "
July	27	Edward T. Oakley	"	"	Greenwood "
	28	Henry Glockner	"	Congestion of Brain	Lutheran "
August	4	Bertha Scott	"	Apoplexia	Evergreen "
	6	Joseph A. Fussner	"	Drowning	Calvary "
	7	Ovilio Boynton	"	Cardiac	City "
	18	Joseph Bartell	"	Drowning	Evergreen "
	20	James Colleton	"	"	Calvary "
	21	James Flynn	"	"	" "
	21	Margaret Wolf	"	"	" "
	22	—— Diederick	"	"	City "
	25	Timothy Kelly	"	"	" "
Sept.	7	Benjamin Speyer	"	Hanging	Cypress Hill C'my
	15	Louis W. Dunham	"	Drowning	Greenwood Cm'y
	18	Daniel Lake	"	"	Evergreen "
	22	Patrick Brock	"	"	Calvary "
	22	Neva N. Bertrand	"	"	City "
Nov.	5	Daniel McNulty	James F. O'Rourke	Fracture of Skull	" "
	12	George W. Codling	Supt. O. D. P.	Railroad Injury	Woodlawn "
	14	Mary McAndrews	"	Drowning	Calvary "
	20	Richard Eld r	"	"	City "
	23	Floyd F. Curtis	"	"	Greenwood "
	30	Thomas Halpin	"	"	Calvary "
Dec.	15	Jeremiah Riordon	James F, O'Rourke	"	" "

UNRECOGNIZED BODIES.

TE.		NAME.	WHOSE CHARGE.	VERDICT.	WHERE BURIED.
	23	Unknown Man.....	Supt. O. D. P.....	Drowning	City Cemetery.
a	18	" "	"	"	"
	30	" "	"	Alcoholism and Cardiac	"
	31	" "	"	Drowning	"
	10	" "	"	"	"
	16	" "	"	"	"
	16	" Woman...	"	"	"
	16	" Man.....	"	Cardiac	"
	19	" "	"	Drowning	"
	24	" "	"	"	"
	25	" "	"	"	"
	29	" "	"	"	"
	30	" "	"	"	"
	1	" "	"	Bright's Disease.....	"
	3	" "	"	Drowning	"
	3	" "	"	"	"
	6	" "	"	Asphixia	"
	14	" "	"	Drowning	"
	22	" "	"	"	"
	23	" "	"	"	"
	29	" "	"	"	"
	1	" "	James F. O'Rourke..	Apoplexy.....	"
	2	" "	Supt. O. D. P.....	Drowning	"
	2	" "	"	"	"
	4	" Boy.....	"	"	"
	11	" Man.....	"	"	"
	11	" "	"	"	"
	16	" "	"	"	"
	18	" "	"	"	"
	25	" "	"	"	"
	27	" "	"	"	"
	27	" "	"	Suicide by Paris Green..	"
	1	" "	"	Pistol Shot Wound.....	"
	2	" "	"	Fracture of Skull.....	"
	11	" "	"	Drowning	"
	14	" "	"	"	"
	24	" "	"	"	"
	25	" "	"	"	"
it	3	" Woman...	"	Alcoholism	"
	3	" " ...	"	"	"
	3	" Man.....	"	Suicide by Hanging.....	"
	7	" "	"	Drowning	"
	11	" "	"	"	"
	24	" Woman...	"	"	"
	1	" Man.....	"	Hanging.....	"
	1	" "	"	Alcoholism	"
	5	" "	"	Drowning	"
	6	" "	"	"	"
	10	" "	"	"	"
	11	" "	"	"	"
	11	" "	"	Convulsions	"
	11	" "	"	Drowning	"
	16	" "	"	"	"
	18	" "	"	"	"
	24	" "	"	"	"
	28	" "	"	Starvation	"
	29	" "	"	Drowning	"
	5	" Woman...	James F. O'Rourke..	Dright's Disease.....	"
	17	" Man.....	Supt. O. D. P.....	Drowning	"
	20	" "	"	Phthisis	"
	26	" "	"	Fracture of Skull.....	"
	21	" "	"	Cut Throat.....	"

Recognized Bodies, - - - - - -	40
Unrecognized " - - - - - -	62
Total, - - - - - - -	102

REPORT OF MEDICAL BOARD,

BELLEVUE HOSPITAL.

NEW YORK, JANUARY 31, 1880.

HON. TOWNSEND COX,

President Department of
Public Charities and Correction:

SIR—The Medical Board of Bellevue Hospital begs leave to present the following report for the year 1879:

Number of Patients in Hospital January 1, 1879		603
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Whole number treated " " "		6,546
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		6,038
" " " remaining in Hospital December 31, 1879		508

Of those admitted during the year there were:

Brought in by Ambulance	1,254
" " " Police	252
Came in in other ways	4,437
Total	5,943

It will be observed that the death rate is $7\frac{3}{4}$ per cent. of all cases treated and 8 2-10 per cent. of cases admitted during the year. The character of the cases treated and the other causes tending to keep up the death rate were sufficiently commented upon in the report of this Board for the year 1878.

During the past year the Sturges Pavilion, mentioned in the last report, has been put into actual use. It was opened on the 27th of April, 1879, and from that time until the end of the year there were treated in it forty-three surgical cases, nearly all of a serious character, with but four deaths. The appointments of the Pavilion are

all that can be desired, and in it cases are as safe from the graver surgical complications, so common in hospitals, as they can be in any public institution.

During the year the Pavilion for the Insane has been completed, and on the 21st of June last was formally opened. It is divided into a male and a female department, and is so arranged that each patient during his short stay in the building can be carefully guarded and at the same time have a small, tidy and well-ventilated apartment to himself: a condition of affairs incomparably more comfortable than the cells previously used for lodging this class of patients. During the half year, since the opening of the building, 403 patients have been lodged in the pavilion.

This Board desires to express its gratification that additional towers for water-closets are building, and its hope that your Honorable Board will soon be able to complete the entire number needed, and thus end the nuisance from present system.

The disastrous fire which in December destroyed the old pavilion, constituting Wards 31 and 32, resulted in an immediate loss of life to four persons. By reason of the loss of these two wards other wards have been unavoidably overcrowded, and some cases have been forced upon the Sturges Pavilion which would not otherwise have been sent there. It is to be hoped that at the earliest possible moment this unusual pressure upon the wards will be relieved by the erection of suitable pavilions.

Another and more serious cause of anxiety exists in the having in the main building cases of erysipelas, rendered necessary by the destruction of the old pavilion near the river, formerly used for their isolation. The erection of a new isolation pavilion is the most pressing need of the hospital at the present time.

A subject which has interested this Board to a great degree during the past few months is the question of how the existing law regarding the admission of patients may be modified as to permit persons desiring treatment in this hospital to enter it on payment of board money sufficient to cover the entire cost of such treatment. Several conferences, more or less formal, between your Honorable Board and this Board have been held, and this Board desires to again call attention to the urgent need of obtaining at once the legislation requisite in the matter.

This Board is pleased to learn that a plan for the better care of the immense number of dead bodies received at the dead-house is under consideration. If four thousand bodies must annually be temporarily deposited within the grounds of the Hospital, it is certainly eminently desirable they should be made as little offensive and be as well protected as possible. The inadequacy of the present shed to meet these requirements needs no comment.

Respectfully submitted for the Board,

LEROY MILTON YALE, M. D.,
Secretary.

RECEPTION HOSPITAL, 99TH STREET.

JANUARY 1, 1880.

HON. TOWNSEND COX,

President Department of

Public Charities and Correction:

SIR—I respectfully submit to your Honorable Board the Annual Report of this Institution for the year ending December 31, 1879:

The number of patients remaining in hospital, January 1, 1879		9
" " " admitted during the year		559
Total number treated		568
The number of patients discharged	518	
" " " died	42	
" " " remaining in hospital	8	
Total		568

The following is a statement of the cases admitted during the year ending December 31, 1879:

The number of ambulance cases	511
" " police "	40
All other cases	8
Total	559

The following tables, in the order in which they are placed, show the number of monthly admissions, discharges and deaths, the number of injuries brought by ambulance, police, and otherwise, and of which number inquests have been held by coroners; accompanied by a statement of those admitted during the year; also the number of cases treated at the Dispensary, with a classification of their disease, and also that of the Hospital.

As the different tables indicate, an increase of 112 or 20 per cent. has been realized. This increase can be attributed to the many improvements that have continually taken place in this vicinity during the past year, such as the construction of the "Elevated Railroad," opening of streets, etc.

The great benefit derived from this Hospital by the laboring class, can be placed on a higher and grander scale than of any other institution of its like in the metropolis; its situation is in the center of improvements, so that those poor unfortunates are, as it were, under our observation continually; when stricken down by injury, the occupation of but a few minutes ensue when they are placed on a clean, warm bed, with all the requirements necessary at hand. Another great benefit derived from its situation is the constant supply of pure air, in fact everything that nature can appropriate beneficially is at our hand.

Our rate of mortality averages 42 or 7½ per cent. With so great a number of the severest forms of injury followed by the above number of fatal terminations, we can look back on the past year as a success. Owing to an increase of deaths this year over that of last, I concluded to write a tabulated statement of the causes thereof, the number of hours lived after admission, etc.; which will be found connected with my report.

Our efforts in the treatment of the different and varied injuries and diseases have been, as before stated, very successful. The amputations (disregarding fingers and toes) number but two out of a total number of twenty-seven compound fractures, one being a crushed foot, caused by an accidental fall beneath a train, Symes' operation being performed, treated by Lister; good result; the other being a crushed forearm produced similar to the former, amputated about three inches below elbow, open treatment carried out, also a good result. Of the compound fractures six were of the head. Of these four were discharged cured (two compound fractures of parietal and two of the frontal bones), and two died, both being fractures of the parietal bone, one from brain lesions, the other foreign from the head injury (rupture of the intestines).

The simple fractures number sixty-one (omitting fingers and toes). Of this number eleven were fractures of the base of the skull; eight died, and three were discharged cured.

A case of compound dislocation of both thighs was admitted during the year. Insolation cases number ten with no deaths. It will thus be observed that the nature of the injuries received at this Institution class among the severest forms.

The Dispensary during the past year has been continuing its noble work, being patronized by the poorer class. Malaria, the greatest

enemy of the poor man, in the upper districts of the city, is gradually disappearing, owing to a more complete drainage of lands in the vicinity, where once the Dispensary was thronged daily by a shaking humanity. It is now occupied by a more varied classification of disease, much more acceptable to the physicians, and no doubt to your Honorable Board, as quinine, whose enormous price always swelled our list, can now be partly laid aside. The facilities for carrying on the Dispensary have been much bettered. The drugs furnished us during the year have been of good quality. The prescriptions dispensed number seven thousand one hundred and fifteen.

The sanitary condition of the Hospital has been very satisfactory throughout the year. All walls, ceilings, etc., are cleaned thoroughly every two weeks, the floor throughout the building scrubbed every other day, and disinfectants continually used. A number of improvements have been made during the year, the building has been repainted, the Doctors', Steward's and Apothecary's apartments have been recarpeted, two new water-closet basins, the introduction of hot and cold water in the Dispensary, the construction of an examination room, furnished with hot and cold water and necessary requirements, the building of a sewer connecting with the main in 99th street, three Babcock Fire Extinguishers, a quantity of Ward furniture, additional Surgical Instruments, and other necessary improvements.

A few more improvements are very essential, such as a new flooring for the Male Wards and Dispensary; another ambulance in place of the sick wagon, as a call for ambulance is often received while it is responding to a previous one, the only resort then being to forward the sick wagon, a vehicle not as suitable as an ambulance, two ambulances thus being more preferable; also, the repairing of the one on hand, it being in a very poor condition. Our Female Ward could almost be continually occupied by female patients, if we were allowed a nurse. Oftentimes severe surgical cases are admitted, requiring the attention of a nurse, the only resort being to obtain the required assistance from Bellevue Hospital, which we are often unable to get, on account of the need of their assistance there. A small compensation for a Night Orderly at this Institution would be very beneficial. The classes occupying that position under the present circumstances are so unreliable; cases in need of the best of care fall in their hands; working without any remuneration, except board, they consider their responsibility so trivial that at times none of the orders are executed, and, if discharged, can gain admission to some other

Institution. The erection of a partition a few feet in height from the drug counter would be very desirable, as the Dispensary patients keep continually leaning and chatting over the counter, while the Druggist is occupied in the preparation of prescriptions, thereby being of considerable annoyance to him. The last, but by far not the least, is the construction of a Pavilion connected with the Hospital. The need of this can be well exemplified by the past year's record. The upper districts of the City are becoming rapidly populated, and the present year opening with probabilities of far more admissions than the last, having been customary, our surplus has always found shelter under the roof of Bellevue Hospital, but the time is now at hand when the surplus embrace cases not in fit condition to be driven over rough avenues and streets, thereby endangering lives; a Pavilion would financially amount to a trifling expense, when compared with the great benefit that would be derived therefrom. There is ample room on grounds adjoining the Hospital, which is used at present simply as a grass plat. I hope your Honorable Board will thoroughly consider the last requested improvement.

During the past year a few changes have taken place in regard to the officers of the Institution. The term of Dr. J. R. McDermott having expired, I was appointed to succeed him, and Dr. R. D. Marsh chosen to fill the vacancy left by my promotion. The Apothecary, Henry Savage, was transferred to the Out-Door Poor Dispensary, and Dennis Shay appointed in his stead.

On the 26th of September your Honorable Board concluded, with the approval of Prof. Jas. R. Wood, to reorganize the management of the Institution, and place it under a new regime by transferring the management thereof into the hands of a Resident Physician, thereby making his position permanent, the result being that you appointed me.

I desire to acknowledge the skillful advice given me by Prof. Jas. R. Wood, Surgeon-in-Chief, in the treatment of the different cases at this Hospital, and for his kindness not only to the sufferers, but also toward me; also, his suggestions in regard to other matters pertaining to the welfare of the Institution.

Dr. W. F. Fluhrer, Supervising Surgeon, deserves great credit for the successful results experienced in the treatment of the different injuries, and I fully appreciate the beneficial advice given me by him.

The construction of the more complicated tables following is due greatly to the assistance rendered by the Steward, Mr. Stone.

The duties of Matron have been carried out very satisfactorily by Mrs. Stone.

The Orderly, Mr. Fred. Jensen, has been very faithful in the discharge of his duties.

The Rev. Father Galligan deserves great credit for his punctuality in answering the numerous calls to the dying in need of spiritual advice; Rev. Dr. Peters attending to the wants of those connected with the Protestant denominations.

In conclusion, I desire to express my thanks to your Honorable Board for the favor extended me by the receival of the appointment as Resident Physician, also for the kindness shown me and assistance rendered, while conducting the affairs of the Institution under my care.

Respectfully yours,

C. H. GRUBE, M. D.,
Resident Physician.

NEW YORK, February 24, 1880.

To the Hon. Board of Commissioners:

GENTLEMEN—We desire to call the attention of your Honorable Board to the extent and character of the work performed at the Ninety-Ninth Street Hospital during the past year, as exhibited in the statistical tables in the report of the Resident Physician.

The number of patients admitted, suffering from broken bones alone (eighty-eight in all, or more than one-seventh of the total number of admissions), indicates the imperative need of maintaining the Hospital. Of the remainder of patients most were suffering from diseases or injuries of a serious character, and calling for prompt relief.

There is a feature of the Hospital work worthy of special note in these days of abuse of medical charity, and that is that the patients belong to the poorest class.

Through its excellent Ambulance Service the Hospital is able to extend succor to all cases of injury occurring in the upper Wards of the city.

The region in which the Hospital is located is now accessible by means of the "Elevated Railroad," and there is every reason to believe that there will be an increased number of accidents in that district.

We urge upon your Honorable Board the necessity of maintaining the Hospital and continuing it in its present location, believing its abolition would be a public misfortune.

Very respectfully,

JAMES R. WOOD, M. D.,
Surgeon-in-Chief.

WM. F. FLUHRER, M. D.,
Supervising Surgeon.

TABLE 1.

Admissions, Discharges, Transferred and Deaths, during the year 1879.

Months.	Admissions.					Discharges.					Transferred.					Deaths.				
	Male.	Female.	Native.	Foreign.	Total	Male.	Female.	Native.	Foreign.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Native.	Foreign.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Native.	Foreign.	Total.
January	33	11	10	34	44	12	3	4	11	15	17	8	4	21	25	2	1	1	2	3
February	18	5	6	17	23	6	2	3	5	8	9	3	1	11	12	2	2	1	3	4
March	17	16	8	25	33	6	2	2	6	8	8	14	7	15	22	1	....	....	1	1
April	23	12	9	26	35	15	4	5	14	19	8	7	1	14	15	....	1	1	....	1
May	32	14	15	31	46	11	1	8	4	12	21	12	4	29	33	2	....	1	1	1
June	40	12	18	34	52	15	2	6	11	17	21	11	5	27	32	4	....	2	2	4
July	56	14	22	48	70	23	4	11	16	27	25	11	5	31	36	5	....	2	3	5
August	37	12	16	33	49	21	4	12	13	25	15	6	8	13	21	2	2	1	3	4
September	48	12	20	40	60	26	3	8	21	29	19	9	5	23	28	3	....	2	1	3
October	37	19	23	33	56	17	4	12	9	21	16	15	9	22	31	3	1	2	2	4
November	31	13	12	32	44	17	3	11	9	20	14	9	3	20	23	5	....	....	5	5
December	34	13	16	31	47	9	3	3	9	12	17	10	9	18	27	6	....	4	2	6
Total	406	153	175	384	559	178	35	85	128	213	190	115	61	244	305	35	7	17	25	42

TABLE 2.

Nativity of those admitted during the year 1879.

United States	177	Brought Forward	545
Ireland	236	Canada	5
Scotland	7	Switzerland	4
England	24	Wales	3
Germany	87	Cuba	1
France	2	Other Countries	1
Italy	12		
Forward	545	Total	559

TABLE 3.

Ambulance, Police and Coroners' cases for the year 1879.

Months.	Ambulance Calls.	Police Calls.	Coroners' Cases.	Months.	Ambulance Calls.	Police Cases.	Coroners' Cases.
January	41	4	3	Brought forward	298	20	20
February	24	5	4				
March	31	1	1	August	45	3	4
April	31	1	1	September	46	4	2
May	48	1	2	October	55	7	3
June	56	3	4	November	39	2	5
July	67	5	5	December	43	4	3
Forward	298	20	20	Total	526	40	37

TABLE 4.

Hospital Cases treated during the year 1879.

Abdominal Contusion	5	Brought forward	33
Abortion	1	Back, Contusion	4
Abscess, Gluteal	1	Bright's Disease	11
" Mammary	1	Bronchitis, Acute	1
Acites	1	" Chronic	5
Amputation, Finger from Frost	1	Bubo	1
Anæmia	12	Burns, Face and Arms	1
Aneurism, Thoracic Aorta	1	" " loss of left eye	1
Angina, Pectoris	1	Burns, General	1
Aortic Regurgitation	1	Cancerous Cachexia	1
Apoplexy, Cerebral	3	Carcinoma, Gastric	1
Arm, Burns	2	Cardiac Hypertrophy	1
" Contusion	1	Catarrh, Uterine	1
" Laceration	1	Cephalalgia	1
Asthma	1	Cholera Morbus	1
Forward	33	Forward	64

TABLE 4—*Continued.*

Brought forward	64
Coma, Uræmic	3
Concussion, Cerebral	9
" Spinal	3
Conjunctivitis	1
Contusion, General	12
Cut Throat	2
Diaphragm, Rupture	1
Diarrhœa	5
Diphtheria	1
Dislocation, Compound, Thigh and Knee	1
" " Wrist	1
" Simple, Humerus	2
" " Elbow	1
" " Knee	1
Dysmenorrhœa	2
Dyspepsia	1
Embolism, Cerebral	1
Enteralgia	3
Epilepsy	12
Erysipelas, Leg	1
Face, Burns	1
" Contusion	1
Febris, Intermit	8
" Remit	1
Finger, Laceration	4
Fistula in Ano	1
Fracture, Compound, Elbow joint	1
" " 1, 2, 3, 4 Fingers	1
" " Femur & Two Colles'	2
" " Frontal	2
" " Inferior Maxillary	2
" " Malar	1
" " Parietal	3
Fracture, Compound, Parietal Laceration Intestines	1
Fracture, Compound, Tibia and Fibula	8
" " Pyæmia	1
" " Great Toe	2
" " Small Toe	2
" " Wrist. Gangrene. Amputation Shoulder.	1
" " Comminuted both ankles	1
Fracture, Compound, Tibia and Fibula. Amputation	1
Fracture, Compound, 3, 4, 5 Ribs	1
" " Foot. Symes' Amputation	1
Fracture, Compound, Radius and Ulnar. Amputation	1
Fracture, Compound, 1, 2 Toes. Amputation	1
Fracture, Compound, Small Toe Amputation	1
Fracture, Simple, Base Skull	12
" " Colles	1
" " Clavicle	1
Forward	192

Brought forward	192
Fracture, Simple, 1st and 2d Dorsal Vertebræ	1
Fracture, Simple, 5th and 6th Dorsal Vertebræ	1
Fracture, Simple, Femur and Two Colles	2
" " Femur	8
" " Humerus	6
" " Inferior Maxillary	1
" " Internal Maleolus	2
" " Nose	1
" " Pelvis	1
" " Ribs	8
" " " and Pulmonary Hemorrhage	1
Fracture, Simple, Tibia and Fibula	9
" " Tibia	4
" " " and Femur	1
" " " Fibula and Radius	1
" " Great Toe	1
Foot, Laceration	3
Frost Fingers	1
Gangrene Leg	1
Gastric Irritability	2
Gastritis, acute	1
Gonorrhœa	2
Hæmoptysis	1
Head, Contusion	2
Hernia Inguinal	3
Hysteria	2
Incised Wound, foot	1
" heel	1
Insanity	51
Insolation	10
Knee, Contusion	4
Laceration, Eyelids	3
" Leg	5
" Face	1
" Hands	2
Malaria	22
Mania a Potu	47
Menorrhagia	3
Mitral Regurgitation	2
Myalgia	1
Myelitis	1
Neuralgia, Stump	1
Orchitis	3
Œdema, Pulmonary	1
Paraplegia	1
Paris Green poisoning	1
Parturition	3
Pelvis Peretonitis from Abortion	1
Peritonitis Chronic	1
Phthisis	23
Pistol Shot, Chest	3
Pistol Shot, Abdomen	3
Placenta Prævia	1
Pott's Disease, Spine	1
Forward	455

TABLE 4—*Continued.*

Brought forward	455	Brought forward	533
Pleurodynia	1		
Pleuro-pneumonia	4	Stab-wounds, neck	1
Pregnancy	2	Syphilis	4
Premature Labor from Burns	1	Submersion	1
Puerperal Convulsions	1	Thigh, Burns	1
" Fever	1	" Contusion	3
" Mania	3	" Laceration	2
Punctured-wound Thigh	1	Tumor, Ovarian	1
Rheumatism, acute	4	Ulcer Leg, Innocent	1
" chronic	19	" Syphilis	2
Scalded Legs	1	Uterus Retroflexion	3
Scalp Laceration	28	Vaginitis, acute	1
Scrofulosis	2	" chronic	1
Shock	2	Varicose Veins	1
Shoulder Contusion	1	Wrist Sprain	1
Sprain Ankle	7	" Laceration	1
Forward	533	Total	557

	Medical.	Surgical.	Total.	Men.	Women.	Children	Total.
January	215	64	279	119	80	80	279
February	218	76	294	160	69	65	294
March	325	94	419	152	150	117	419
April	262	133	395	160	136	99	395
May	203	110	313	95	120	98	313
June	210	97	307	123	98	86	307
July	223	94	317	123	82	112	317
August	268	86	354	120	99	135	354
September	210	87	297	110	93	94	297
October	209	78	287	106	88	93	287
November	167	110	277	102	81	94	277
December	116	66	182	70	55	57	182
Grand Total	2,626	1,095	3,721	1,440	1,151	1,130	3,721

Abstract of Diseases Causing Death at this Institution, with the Name, Date of Admission and Death.

Name.	Age	Admitted.	Time.	Date of Death.	Time.	In Hospital. D.	H.	M.	DISEASE.
Ellen Houston.....	53	Jan. 19th	12 M.	Jan. 19th.	2.30 P. M.	..	2	30	Bright's Disease—Uræmic Coma.
George Dorsey.....	31	" 22d.	2.30 P. M.	" 23d.	4 A. M.	..	13	30	Fracture Base Skull.
Jacob Richards....	51	" 31st.	4.30 P. M.	" 31st.	10.15 P. M.	..	5	45	Apoplexy.
Ann Dwyer.....	30	" 25th.	10 P. M.	Feb. 1st.	12.30 A. M.	6	2	30	Burns, Producing Premature Labor.
James Dick.....	48	Feb. 10th.	1.30 P. M.	" 25th.	8 A. M.	9	18	30	Compound Depressed Fracture Skull.
Eliza Long.....	43	" 21st.	12 M.	" 26th.	10 P. M.	5	10	..	Pthisis.
John Linnig.....	43	" 24th.	1 P. M.	Mar. 19th.	7 P. M.	23	6	..	Fracture, Compound, Leg—Septicæmio.
George English....	20	" 27th.	3.30 P. M.	" 28th.	5 A. M.	..	18	30	Fracture Base Skull.
Mary Macer.....	5	April 24th	5.30 P. M.	Apr. 30th.	11 P. M.	6	5	30	Pistol Shot, Abdomen—Peritonitis.
George Douglass...	22	May 1st.	4.45 P. M.	May 1st.	5.15 P. M.	..	..	30	Fracture Base Skull.
William Dolan.....	62	" 6th.	12.30 A. M.	" 10th.	8.15 A. M.	4	7	45	Cut Throat.
Robert Neville.....	19	June 9th.	5.30 P. M.	June 10th	2.30 A. M.	..	7	..	Fracture Thigh and Leg, and Int. Injuries.
Louis Cohen.	22	" 11th.	10.45 A. M.	" 20th.	9.30 P. M.	9	10	45	Burns, Body, Arms, Leg and Face.
Patrick Costello....	35	" 14th.	6.30 A. M.	" 26th.	9 A. M.	12	2	30	Pyæmia from Injuries.
Louis Brown.....	45	" 23d.	1.15 P. M.	" 23d.	5.55 P. M.	..	4	40	Bright's Disease—Uræmic Coma.
Charles T.vail.....	32	" 30th.	5.55 P. M.	" 30th.	7 P. M.	..	1	5	Fracture Base Skull.
Louis Hymen.....	21	July 4th.	8.15 P. M.	July 5th.	3.15 A. M.	..	7	..	Fracture Base Skull.
Dennis Donovan...	54	" 14th.	5.45 P. M.	" 14th.	11.45 P. M.	..	6	..	Compound Dislocation both Thighs, Shock.
Ferdinand Wessel.	12	" 17th.	9.30 A. M.	" 17th.	1.55 P. M.	..	4	25	Compound Comminuted Frac. both Ankles.
Edward Fitzgerald	40	" 23d.	1 P. M.	" 23d.	8 P. M.	..	7	..	Acute Gastritis.
Bridget Bird.....	35	Aug. 2d.	6.15 A. M.	Aug. 2d.	10.30 P. M.	..	11	15	Placenta Prævia, Hæmorrhage before Adm.
James Hilliker....	55	" 7th.	9 P. M.	" 7th.	11.15 P. M.	..	2	15	Compound Fracture, both Legs, Shock.
Elizabeth Goodwin	65	" 11th.	5.30 P. M.	" 13th.	2 P. M.	1	20	30	Bright's Disease—Uræmic Coma.
Henry McKenzie..	60	" 13th.	7.30 A. M.	" 17th.	8 A. M.	4	..	30	Fracture Base Skull.
John Shay.....	40	Sept. 2d.	11 A. M.	Sept. 3d.	6.30 P. M.	..	7	30	Aneurism Aortic—Rupture.
Joseph Wood.....	23	" 9th.	8.15 A. M.	" 9th.	12.40 P. M.	..	4	25	Apoplexy, Cerebral.
James Miley.....	10	" 16th.	11.45 A. M.	" 16th.	1.30 P. M.	..	1	45	Contusion Abdomen, and Int. Injuries, Shock.
John Sheridan.....	14	Oct. 10th.	12.45 P. M.	Oct. 10th.	1.15 P. M.	..	..	30	Comp. Disloc. Wrist and Int. Injuries, Shock.
Mary Reardon.....	9	" 15th.	5.45 P. M.	" 16th.	7.10 P. M.	1	1	25	Fracture Base Skull.
Maurice Healey...	35	" 24th.	7.45 P. M.	" 25th.	7.50 A. M.	..	12	5	Frac. 3, 4, 5, Ribs, Pulmonary Hæmorrhage.
Adam Ranchert...	56	" 28th.	12.30 P. M.	" 29th.	2.30 P. M.	..	2	..	Bright's Disease—Uræmic Coma.
Frederick Singel..	34	Nov. 8th.	11.45 A. M.	Nov. 8th.	2.30 P. M.	..	2	45	Fracture Base Skull.
John Ossman.....	69	" 10th.	12.30 P. M.	" 21st.	2.30 P. M.	11	2	..	Hemiplegia, due to Cerebral Embolism.
Michael Donahoe..	25	" 20th.	12.45 P. M.	" 24th.	9.25 P. M.	3	8	40	Apoplexy, Cerebral.
Patrick Dolan.....	40	" 29th.	9.45 A. M.	" 30th.	8.15 A. M.	..	22	30	Rupture of Intestines and Comp. Frac. Skull.
John Hansman....	39	" 20th.	11.25 A. M.	" 30th.	10 A. M.	9	20	45	Frac. 1st and 2d Dorsal Vertebræ, Paraphlegia.
Philip Huescher...	50	Dec. 8th.	9.30 A. M.	Dec. 10th.	4.30 P. M.	2	7	..	Frac. 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 Ribs, Pulm'ry Hæmorrh'ge.
Moses Johnson....	40	" 9th.	7 P. M.	" 16th.	12.15 A. M.	7	5	15	Stricture Urethra, Cystitis, Pyelitis.
Garden Florentine.	80	" 18th.	7.10 P. M.	" 19th.	4.15 P. M.	..	19	5	Cerebral Apoplexy.
William Schry.....	31	Nov. 15th.	5 P. M.	" 29th.	3 A. M.	42	10	..	Myelitis.
Timothy Flannelly	37	Sept. 5th.	8.15 A. M.	" 30th.	4.50 A. M.	114	20	35	Fracture 5th and 6th Dorsal Vertebræ.
Andrew Roberts...	36	Dec. 30th.	11 P. M.	" 31st.	4.30 A. M.	..	5	30	Alcoholism.

Dispensary Cases treated during the year 1879.

Abcess	32	Enuresus	2	Necrosis Tibia	5
Adenitis	2	Eruptions	29	Odontalgia	175
Alcoholism	3	Erysipelas	28	Œdema Varicose	12
Amenorrhœa	26	Facial Neuralgia	9	Orchitis	5
Anæmia	129	Febris Intermit	190	Ovaritis	1
Angina Pectoris	13	" Remit	3	Otorrhœa	3
Anorexia	2	Flatulence	9	Paralysis	2
Anthrax	4	Fracture Arm	11	Paroditis	14
Aphthæ	9	" Clavicle	16	Paronychia	37
Asthma	24	" Colles	8	Pertussis	49
Bright's Disease	65	" Humerus	2	Pharyngitis	22
Bronchitis	499	" Tibia and Fibula	1	Phymosis	4
Bubo	6	" Ulnar	1	Plethora	3
Burns	19	" Compound Finger	7	Pleuritis	3
Cardiac Degeneration	8	" " Frontal	1	Phthisis	89
" Dilatation	2	Frost	4	Pleurodynia	21
" Palpitation	3	Furuncle	6	Polypus Nasal	4
Cardialgia	8	Gastralgia	3	Pregnancy	17
Carcinoma Breast	2	Gastric Irritability	57	Premature Labor, Effects of	1
Cataract	1	Gastritis Subacute	7	Pruritus Vulva	9
Catarrh Nasal	13	Gonorrhœa	27	Rheumatism, Chronic	128
Cephalalgia	23	Hæmoptysis	15	Scabies	13
Cerebral Congestion	6	Hæmorrhagic Diathesis	4	Scald	4
Chancroid	4	Hæmorrhoids	18	Scarlatina	4
Cholera Infantum	14	Hernia Inguinal	4	Sclatica	13
Conjunctivitis	32	Hydrocephalus	12	Scrofulosis	39
Constipation	95	Hydrocele	7	Sprain	33
Contusions	86	Hysteria	4	Stricture Urethra	4
Cystitis	2	Infantile Convulsions	2	Syphilis	60
Dentition	14	Insanity	1	Synovitis	8
Diarrhœa	122	Jaundice	8	Skull Depression	[illegible]
Dislocation Finger	1	Lacerations	237	Tonsillitis	16
" Humerus	3	Laryngitis	22	Torticollis	1
" Knee	1	Leucorrhœa	7	Tumor Cartilaginous	3
Dysentery	15	Lumbago	30	Ulcer Innocent	44
Dysmenorrhœa	15	Lupus	4	" Pharyngeal	3
Dyspepsia	71	Malaria	116	" Syphilitic	52
Dysuria	2	Masturbation	2	" Varicose	33
Eczema	87	Metritis	3	Urine Retention	7
Enteralgia	17	Metrorhagia	5	Uterine Hæmorrhage	4
Entoza	88	Miscellaneous	126	Uterus Retroflexion	19
Epilepsy	13	Mitral Regurgitation	9	Vaccinated	36
Epistaxis	6	" Stenosis	1	Vaginitis Acute	2
Epithelioma	6	Myalgia	72		

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EXAMINATION OFFICE.

JANUARY 1, 1879.

HON. TOWNSEND COX,

President Department of

Public Charities and Correction:

SIR—I have the honor to submit to your Honorable Board the Thirteenth Annual Report of this office.

The whole number of applicants for the past year was 16,843; 15,750 were admitted and assigned, as shown in Table B.

The classification of the applicants is as follows:

Male Adults	9,634
Female "	5,885
Male Minors	157
Female "	74
Total	15,750
Applicants rejected and referred to the Superintendent Out-Door Poor	964
" referred to the Department of Examination	35
" " " " Health (contagious diseases)	33
" refusing to go to hospital after being thereunto assigned	61
Grand Total	16,843

ADMISSIONS.

The average number of applicants, monthly, through this office was 1,403; daily averaged (excluding Sundays), 53; greatest daily number, 103. There is as much necessity, at present, for the reform in the mode of admissions, as recommended in my Report for 1878, as there was at that time; 2,237 cases were admitted during 1878, of which admissions this office has never been notified; and it explains in part the difficulty experienced, and frequently the impossibility of locating, a patient for inquirers.

The admissions are as follows:

To Charity Hospital	1,759
To Homœopathic Hospital	141
To Hart's Island "	337
Total	2,237

ALMS HOUSE CASES.

On February 20 of the past year your Honorable Board granted me permission to send cases to the Alms House direct, without retaining them until a permit could be received from the Superintendent of Out-Door Poor. It has proved to be a very great improvement on the former plan.

Exclusive of the cases of pregnancy at seven months, which were sent temporarily to the Alms House, in order to avoid overcrowding in the Waiting Wards of Charity, there have been admitted from this office to the Alms House 129 cases, namely: 54 males and 75 females, their average being 67 years.

BELLEVUE HOSPITAL.

The usual class of cases, acute diseases and recent severe injuries, with some exceptions, have been admitted to the number of 5,960 cases.

EMERGENCY HOSPITAL.

One hundred and thirty-six women in labor, and 17 cases of miscarriage, threatened abortion, etc., making a total of 153 cases, were admitted. But 3 non-residents were admitted, which is eight (8) less than in the previous year.

NON-RESIDENTS.

Including 33 cases of Insanity, there were treated in Bellevue and the Emergency Hospitals 104 non-residents.

There is an increase of 24 cases of insanity compared with last year; but as these cases were returned to their proper counties or States for treatment, the actual number treated and retained in the Hospitals of the Department was only 71 cases, which is 53 less than 1878, and 446 less than 1877. I am happy to state that I have been successful in making the number so small by carefully excluding such cases as were non-residents, provided they needed no immediate treatment.

The disparity between the number of non-residents above and the total 129 in the last column of Table A is made up by cases that received temporary treatment in the Dispensary, and are charged in that column in Table B.

CHARITY HOSPITAL.

The number of cases admitted to this Hospital was 5,072. Overcrowding has been avoided more or less by the admission of cases to the Randall's Island Hospital.

EPILEPTIC AND PARALYTIC HOSPITAL.

A smaller number of cases (162) have been admitted than in 1878. There is a necessity for some place of proper dimension or capacity for these cases. They are obviously improper cases for general admission, and are nearly all incurable. Owing to this hospital being nearly always filled, it is necessary to scatter these unfortunates (epileptics) among the different hospitals.

HOMŒOPATHIC HOSPITAL.

3,079 cases have been admitted. The instructions of your Honorable Board relative to the admission of cases to this Hospital in deference to a patient's wish or the request of a physician, have been carefully obeyed, unless, when the census, which is the basis of distribution, indicated differently. An impartial division has been made between the Homœopathic and Charity Hospitals.

RANDALL'S ISLAND HOSPITAL.

The small number of cases admitted (233) is accounted for by the fact that only since August 11 of last year were cases sent to this Hospital, in accordance with the order of your Honorable Board. Two boats stopping daily would be of great assistance in relieving the general crowding of the Hospitals during the winter months.

HART'S ISLAND HOSPITAL.

The usual class of cases, 850 in number, were admitted.

Table A shows the number of cases admitted, referred, etc.; the diseases with which they were affected, and the wards of the city in which they reside.

Rheumatic diseases are classed as "General Diseases," and "Poisons" includes mostly cases of attempted suicide.

The rest of the classification needs no further explanation.

Table B shows the number of patients admitted to each of the several hospitals of the Department, those referred, etc.

By deducting the cases sent to Bellevue Hospital of each class of diseases the ratio of acute to chronic diseases (with few exceptions) can readily be approximated.

VENEREAL CASES.

There were 1,441 Venereal cases ; 1,387 were admitted, as shown in B ; 54 were referred to the Dispensary. Included in the above are 1,131 ambulance and 238 police cases.

The necessity for a correct record of admissions to the Emergency Hospital is again respectfully referred to your Honorable Board, shown in my report for 1878.

Table C shows the prevalence of non-contagious diseases during the different months, and to a certain extent some of the influences creative of disease.

In closing the year's work I desire to express my thanks to your Honorable Board for the kindness and courtesy extended to me.

I am, very respectfully,

S. HEMINGWAY,
Examining Physician.

TABLE A.

Showing the number of Patients assigned to the different Hospitals of the Department, and those referred to the Bureau for the Medical and Surgical Relief for the Out-Door Poor, the class of Diseases with which they were affected, and the Wards of the City in which they reside, for the year ending December 31, 1879.

WARDS OF NEW YORK CITY.

Diseases and Injuries.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	Domicile Not Given.	Non-Residents of N. Y. City.	Total.
Medical Diseases—																											
General Diseases	112	8	16	155	29	107	109	111	47	138	36	44	53	139	26	60	87	104	77	88	90	55	6	9	209	6	1922
Fevers	35	4	6	43	4	28	27	26	13	87	13	15	16	31	12	25	29	29	19	24	16	13	2	4	84	4	559
Nervous System	37	5	7	54	16	31	66	46	36	93	23	35	40	64	25	64	77	100	103	60	85	77	5	8	217	33	1407
Circulatory	11	1		10	2	11	19	17	2	14	4	5	5	11	5	3	14	18	4	8	15	5	2	2	19		207
Absorbent	2			6	2	6	2	5		8		2	4	7	1		3	3	5	6	4				6		73
Respiratory	91	14	17	228	41	171	128	125	70	126	46	35	65	175	45	55	101	166	89	92	109	82	1	8	241	6	2339
Digestive	30		6	50	8	47	41	39	11	36	11	20	24	47	7	19	30	42	22	23	33	17	3	4	85	1	655
Urinary	20	1	2	37	10	33	32	29	13	24	9	8	11	29	7	12	17	30	15	37	23	10	2	3	44	2	460
Surgical Diseases—																											
Male Generative	12	1	2	17	6	14	8	8	3	16	1	4	4	13	3	2	8	11	9	6	6	5		1	25	2	187
Skin	11	1	3	15	1	13	5	8	1	7	3	6	7	15	2	8	6	10	7	14	7	4	1		35		185
Eye and Ear	17	1	5	35	4	24	29	18	8	17	5	7	5	20	3	11	7	14	12	5	17	7		2	48		331
Venereal	77	1	14	163	24	120	71	112	33	135	21	26	37	100	46	20	70	59	41	59	53	36	1	4	104		1441
Injuries	52	15	9	105	23	73	64	55	36	68	47	34	48	73	13	26	73	121	106	60	104	33	2	5	173	18	1423
Surgical Cases	97		23	208	36	127	106	117	54	140	29	48	48	139	37	62	88	129	88	96	98	69	4	12	221	28	2121
Peculiar to Women—																											
Female Gen. System	20	7	1	23	5	12	18	21	11	32	9	8	7	18	17	11	32	24	17	27	25	12		1	34	2	390
Pregnancy	14	2	1	16	5	17	21	19	12	25	8	16	4	25	9	12	24	19	30	21	20	29		2	37	1	401
Parturition	2	4	1	4		6	5	8	4	7	3	1	3	7	3	6	7	10	9	7	9	6	1	2	28	3	142
Poisons	1	1		10		3	4	5	1	7	2	1	3	2		2	3	6	1		4				10	2	68
Alcohol	36	3	6	72	18	46	41	46	18	39	9	25	21	53	19	26	35	62	59	47	51	38	3	2	178	21	974
Unclassified Diseases	13		1	28	8	21	11	25	4	29	6	5	9	25	8	9	17	22	25	16	28	14			123		465
	690	68	120	1279	242	910	807	840	378	1008	295	345	414	1094	288	408	728	979	738	706	798	512	35	69	1921	129	15750

TABLE B.

Showing the number of Patients assigned to each of the different Hospitals of the Department, and those referred to the Bureau for the Medical and Surgical Relief of the Out-Door Poor, with the rejections and Grand Total for the year ending December 31, 1879.

DISEASES AND INJURIES.	To Bellevue Hospital.	To Charity Hospital.	To Homœopathic Hospital.	To Emergency Hospital.	To Randall's Island Hospital.	To Epileptic and Paralytic Hospital.	To Hart's Island Hospital.	To Bureau of Medical and Surgical Relief of Out-Door Poor.	Total assigned to Hospital.
General Diseases	369	526	638		32		320	37	1922
Fevers	279	123	103		21	21	12		559
Nervous System	990	94	95		28	141	5	8	1407
Circulatory System	89	48	59		5		7	1	207
Absorbent "	39	18	13				3		73
Respiratory "	829	609	672		47		152	30	2339
Digestive "	304	154	130		15		41	11	655
Urinary "	197	129	97		11		20	6	460
Male Generative System	92	77	10		3			5	187
Skin	10	124	37		1		6	7	185
Eye and Ear	9	226	79		1		10	6	331
Venereal		1334	50				3	54	1441
Injuries	872	247	244		12		24	24	1423
Surgical	564	671	560		42		140	44	2121
Female Generative System	201	126	35	11	3		13	1	390
Pregnancy		396		5					401
Parturition	6			136					142
Poisons	51	9	8						68
Alcohol	881	45	43		3		1	1	974
Unclassified	178	116	98	1	9		57	6	465
Total	5960	5072	3079	152	233	162	850	241	15,750

TABLE C.

Showing the Prevalence of Non-Contagious Diseases during the Different Months, in New York City, for the year ending December 31, 1879.

Months.	Diseases and Injuries of Patients Admitted.																							
	Medical Diseases.								Surgical Diseases.						Peculiar to Women.									
	General Diseases.	Fevers.	Nervous System.	Circulatory System.	Absorbent System.	Respiratory System.	Digestive System.	Urinary System.	Male Generative System.	Skin.	Eye and Ear.	Venereal.	Injuries.	Surgical Cases.	Female Generative System.	Pregnancy.	Parturition.	Poisons.	Alcohol.	Unclassified Diseases.	Total Assigned to Hospital.	Rejected, Referred and refused to go to Hospital.	Grand Total.
January	186	19	107	26	8	267	36	48	21	22	36	127	134	243	31	33	1	5	52	28	1430	91	1521
February	138	5	87	13	3	231	29	46	12	12	18	122	98	173	35	24	17	2	44	54	1163	87	1251
March	196	14	89	14	4	223	17	37	19	14	33	134	87	152	25	32	10	9	61	35	1215	67	1282
April	188	20	110	12	8	223	33	42	9	16	34	88	98	155	44	26	4	5	58	34	1207	91	1298
May	190	37	134	20	9	177	49	38	19	14	22	100	120	172	26	40	5	8	69	32	1281	85	1366
June	159	46	138	16	5	155	60	35	12	19	39	127	105	179	27	30	20	5	94	34	1305	87	1392
July	183	61	131	14	7	175	106	49	18	7	23	139	122	158	39	45	16	6	110	34	1443	105	1548
August	130	118	129	18	2	140	93	26	14	14	35	110	93	164	37	34	21	6	85	47	1316	70	1386
September	118	96	123	17	8	171	72	30	8	20	26	110	138	176	18	36	13	2	76	40	1298	107	1405
October	140	84	130	18	3	164	72	49	15	15	20	130	114	171	45	42	10	5	113	50	1390	104	1496
November	150	37	103	16	4	202	60	21	20	12	17	133	135	185	24	29	12	8	115	35	1308	83	1391
December	144	12	126	23	5	211	28	39	20	20	28	121	178	193	39	31	13	7	97	42	1387	114	1501
Total	1922	659	1407	207	73	2339	655	460	187	185	331	1441	1423	2121	390	401	142	68	974	565	15,753	1093	16,843

CHARITY HOSPITAL, B. I.

JANUARY 1st, 1880.

HON. TOWNSEND COX,

President Department of

Public Charities and Correction.

SIR.—I herewith respectfully submit the Annual Report of the Institutions under my charge during the past year.

There were in Charity Hospital at the close of 1878, 814 patients. There were admittted during the year 1879, 6,174, making the total number under treatment, 6,988.

Of this number, 360 died, or 5.15 per cent. of the number treated, against 4.88 last year.

This increase in the rate of mortality is accounted for by the fact of cases having remained longer in the wards, owing to the small number transferred to other institutions, as compared with previous years, thus diminishing the number of admissions, while the average daily census was not diminished.

Two fatal accidents have occured during the year—one by a fall from a window, and one by drowning, the particulars of which have already been reported to your Honorable Board.

The wards have been at no time crowded.

The Medical service of the Hospital has varied but little from that of previous years. But few cases of erysipelas have occurred in the wards, and these of a mild form. No other contagious or epidermic disease has visited the Hospital during the year.

IMPROVEMENTS.

The ironing-room of the laundry has been removed to the "Half-Way House," generously donated to the Department by the Board of Health. The steam drying apparatus, after being thoroughly repaired was removed to the ironing-room, and a commodious Kitchen for the preparation of extra diet has been fitted up in the old drying-room.

The flagging of the main Kitchen has been entirely relaid and the Kitchen has also been provided with a new and improved drain; the steam-fittings and ovens have been thoroughly repaired and the entire Kitchen has been painted and whitewashed.

The Nurses' Kitchen has been enlarged and put in good condition.

A new tin roof has been put upon the boiler-house.

The entire plumbing and steam-fitting of the cellar has been carefully inspected and all defects remedied. Large steam coils have been placed in the more exposed and colder wards, and the windows of the same have been fitted with weather-strips; at no time during the year have we been unable to raise the temperature of any ward to the proper degree.

The gas supply has been greatly improved by the repairs to the main pipe, and the quantity received is now sufficient. Minor improvements and repairs have been made as they were called for.

A considerable portion of the building has been painted.

The grounds around the Hospital have been much improved during the year.

Gates have been erected at the entrances to the several wards upon the top floor of the Hospital, and these patients completely isolated from the others. This measure has perceptibly improved the discipline of the Hospital.

With the exception of the erection of a new laundry, for which it is understood an appropriation has been made, there would seem to be nothing urgently required in connection with the Hospital, other than the ordinary repairs, which can be made from time to time by the inmates.

Patients are still transferred from the Workhouse, which transfers I have again to recommend should cease, except, perhaps in cases of venereal disease.

The following changes have occurred in the Medical Board of the Hospital during the year.

Resignations.—Drs. C. S. Bull, Thos. R. Pooley, D. M. Corey and C. C. Lee.

APPOINTMENTS.—Drs. PETER A. CALLAN, T. J. ALLEN, E. J. PECK and JOHN H. SUASEY.

Dr. C. C. LEE was appointed Consulting Surgeon.

The House Staff at present on duty, as well as the preceding one, are entitled to especial commendation for the manner in which they have discharged their responsible duties.

The addition of eight physicians, to serve as Junior Assistants, has proved of great value to the Hospital.

There have been no changes in the Staff of the Curators.

There have been made during the year 165 autopsies.

The pathological specimens in the museum have been put in good condition.

DRUG STORE.

In the Apothecaries Department there has been expended for drugs $10,249.71, for liquors $2,494.17, a considerable portion of which was furnished the Almshouse and Workhouse.

The Assistant Apothecary resigned, and was succeeded by John F. Camman.

Extensive repairs have been made in the drug store during the year, including a new counter, sets of drawers, and tin or iron receptacles for all inflammable materials.

In connection with the drug store I desire to call the attention of your Honorable Board to the fact, that nearly all drugs furnished the Workhouse and Almshouse, are sent in bulk instead of in the form of prescription, and hence could I believe be sent to better advantage from the General Drug Department direct. It would also avoid the manifest injustice of charging this Institution with several thousand dollars for drugs and liquors for which no equivalent is received.

TRAINING SCHOOL FOR NURSES.

The Training School for Nurses is in a flourishing condition. Those in the school during the year have been for the most part ladies of considerable refinement and education, and they have almost without exception, performed their duties faithfully and have made commendable progress in their studies.

One death has occurred in the school during the year, that of Miss Ada Van Duzor, who died on the 4th of December, after an exceedingly painful illness of 4 days.

The Annual Commencement of the school occurred on the 25th of September. The exercises were held in the same room as on previous years. They were presided over by Ex-Commissioner Bailey. There were present upon the stage, Ex-Mayor Wickham, all of the members of your Honorable Board, Dr. A. E. Macdonald, and several prominent city officials; essays were read by several members of the graduating class. At the close of the exercises diplomas were presented to the following ladies:

Mrs. Margaret Fields,	Miss Celia A. Phelps,
Miss Rose Fowler,	Miss Mariba C. Riggs,
Miss Anna E. Guyer,	Mrs. Jesse Robeson,
Miss Emily Hogan,	Mrs. Kate Scanlan,
Miss Annie M. Hartig,	Miss Huldah Van Duzor,
Miss Sarah C. Neal,	Miss Celia White,

Miss Mary D. Woodington.

Prizes were awarded as follows:

First Prize, of a Nurse's Surgical Dressing Case, to Miss Sarah C. Neal.

Fever Thermometers were awarded to Mrs. Jesse Robeson, Mrs. Kate Scanlan, and Miss Celia White.

The success of the graduates of the school continues to be all that could be desired. Thus far during the year all have been employed, and many more could have found employment, at remunerative wages. There were, so far as can be learned, no complaints against any one of them, either by physician or patient.

MATERNITY HOSPITAL.

The success of the Maternity Hospital has been very good, so far as puerperal fever is concerned, there having been but one slight epidermic, which was at once arrested.

There were 254 births during the year, with 11 deaths of women. There has been a marked improvement in the condition of these women, since the plan was adopted of using one of the pavilions for women awaiting confinement, and the other for those already confined.

In fact, the change has been so great, that no further argument should be needed to insure the immediate erection of additional buildings upon the grounds, of a sufficient capacity to accommodate the entire service.

The following improvements have been made upon the pavilions now in use. Double windows have been placed upon the exposed sides of the buildings. Blinds have been purchased for all the windows, and additional doors have been placed in the wards, so that we are enabled to maintain the requisite degree of heat in the coldest weather.

A new soup boiler has been added to the Kitchen and a brick wall has been laid between the two houses. The grounds around the buildings have been materially improved, there is believed to be nothing wanting to conduce to the welfare and comfort of the inmates of this hospital.

EPILEPTIC AND PARALYTIC HOSPITAL.

The Epileptic and Paralytic Hospital remains in pretty much the same condition as last year. Most of the cases are chronic and incurable, and should be provided for elsewhere, as they cannot be benefitted by medical treatment.

Drs. Mason and Bulkley have resigned from the medical Staff, and Drs. S. N. Leo, and J. J. Delaney have been appointed to fill these vacancies.

The House Physician, Dr. W. E. CLADEK, resigned in April, and Dr. F. J. IVES, one of the Assistants on the Staff of Charity Hospital, has since acted as House Physician on this service.

Charles E. Cisco, who had been employed for many years as orderly, died in August, and was succeeded by Frank Farrel.

PENITENTIARY.

The health of the prisoners in the Penitentiary has been exceptionally good for the past year. There were admitted to the hospital wards, during the year 355, of whom 11 died. The hospital wards have been materially improved by the removal of adjoining rooms and partitions, which obstructed, to a considerable extent, light and ventilation.

The work of the Bible and Fruit Mission, and the St. Elizabeth

Guild has been energetically prosecuted among the inmates of these Institutions during the year. We are also indebted to the individual efforts of Mrs. HALL, Mrs. LAMPE and others, for providing many comforts for our patients.

The officers of the institution are each entitled to credit for the efficient manner in which their duties have been discharged.

Appended to this report, are the tables called for by the regulations of the Hospital.

In conclusion, I beg to express to your Honorable Board, my thanks for your cordial co-operation in all matters pertaining to the welfare of these Hospitals.

Respectfully yours,

C. R. ESTABROOK, M. D.,

Chief of Staff.

TABLE 1.

General Statement—Charity Hospital, 1879.

1879.	White.		Colored.		Total.	Native.	Foreign.
	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.			
Remaining, Dec 31, 1878	460	351	3	..	814	314	500
Admitted	3423	2694	27	30	6174	2558	3616
Total	3883	3045	30	30	6988	2872	4116
Discharged	3162	2551	21	27	5761	2433	3328
Died	199	158	1	2	360	137	223
Total	3361	2709	22	29	6121	2570	3551
Remaining, Dec 31, 1879	522	336	8	1	867	302	565

TABLE 2.

General Statement—Maternity Hospital, 1879.

1879.	Women.	Births. Boys.	Girls.	Total.	Native.	Foreign.
Remaining, Dec 31, 1878	10	3	3	16	11	5
Admitted	308	124	124	556	380	176
Total	318	127	127	572	391	181
Discharged	272	117	116	505	344	161
Died	11	4	5	20	12	8
Total	283	121	121	525	356	169
Remaining, Dec 31, 1879	35	6	6	47	35	12

TABLE 3.

General Statement—Epileptic and Paralytic Hospital, 1879.

1879.	White. Males.	White. Females.	Colored. Males.	Colored. Females.	Total.	Native.	Foreign.
Remaining, Dec 31, 1878	43	36	1	..	80	41	39
Admitted	32	34	2	..	68	40	28
Total	75	70	3	..	148	81	67
Discharged	27	34	1	..	62	36	26
Died	2	1	1	..	4	3	1
Total	29	35	2	..	66	39	27
Remaining, Dec 31, 1879	46	35	1	..	82	42	40

TABLE 4.

Admissions, Births, Discharges and Deaths in Charity Hospital, 1879.

Months.	Admissions and Births.									Discharges.							Deaths.						
	White.		Colored.		Births.					White.		Colored.					White.		Colored.				
	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Native.	Foreign.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Native.	Foreign.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Native.	Foreign.
January	291	238	1	2	7	3	542	212	330	230	218	2	3	453	207	246	21	16	..	..	37	19	18
February	240	218	4	3	6	18	489	223	266	249	150	1	3	403	172	231	20	13	1	1	35	13	22
March	282	238	2	4	8	6	540	212	328	300	264	1	4	569	231	338	17	18	..	..	35	13	22
April	243	198	2	4	7	6	460	187	273	285	234	2	3	524	207	317	27	13	..	..	40	14	26
May	260	246	4	2	4	4	520	222	298	235	253	2	1	491	203	288	13	14	..	..	27	5	22
June	292	232	1	1	5	4	535	205	330	272	229	3	2	506	214	292	20	15	..	..	35	10	25
July	288	246	1	3	5	12	555	232	323	270	216	1	3	490	199	291	9	13	..	..	22	10	12
August	294	182	1	2	15	19	513	236	277	268	214	..	1	483	207	276	20	14	..	..	34	16	18
September	277	202	3	3	6	3	494	187	307	267	220	1	1	489	215	274	9	7	..	..	16	5	11
October	293	242	3	3	5	6	552	250	302	276	233	2	4	515	226	289	20	13	..	1	34	11	23
November	310	173	4	2	7	2	498	198	300	267	150	5	1	423	175	248	10	10	..	..	20	11	9
December	269	189	1	1	9	7	476	194	282	243	170	1	1	415	177	238	13	12	..	..	25	10	15
Total	3339	2604	27	30	84	90	6174	2558	3516	3162	2551	21	27	5761	2433	3328	199	158	1	2	360	137	223

TABLE 5.

Admissions, Births, Discharges and Deaths in Maternity Hospital in 1879.

Months.	Admissions and Births.							Discharges.						Deaths.					
	Women.	Births.			Total.	Native.	Foreign.	Women.	Boys.	Girls.	Total.	Native.	Foreign.	Women.	Boys.	Girls.	Total.	Native.	Foreign.
		Boys.	Girls.	Still Births.															
January	27	23	10	3	60	42	18	21	15	8	44	34	10	..	1	..	1	1	..
February	9	4	2	1	15	7	8	22	12	8	42	23	19	2	..	..	2	1	1
March	22	11	7	1	40	26	14	10	4	4	18	13	5	2	..	1	3	1	2
April	26	6	13	1	45	30	15	23	13	8	44	29	15	..	..	1	1	1	..
May	29	13	14	1	56	40	16	33	11	15	59	46	13	1	2	2	5	4	1
June	36	13	23	..	72	55	17	33	13	17	63	46	17	1	..	..	1	..	1
July	18	7	7	2	32	22	10	24	9	14	47	32	15	3	..	..	3	1	2
August	25	2	2	..	29	16	13	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
September	36	9	14	1	59	42	17	32	8	13	53	32	21	..	..	..	..	..	..
October	29	16	11	..	56	39	17	29	15	15	59	38	21	..	..	..	..	..	..
November	19	8	8	..	35	24	11	24	6	7	37	25	12	1	1	1	3	2	1
December	32	12	13	1	57	37	20	21	11	7	39	26	13	1	..	..	1	1	..
Total	308	124	124	11	556	380	176	272	117	116	505	344	161	11	4	5	20	12	8

TABLE 6.

Admissions, Discharges and Deaths in Epileptic and Paralytic Hospital in 1879.

Months.	Admissions.							Discharges.							Deaths.						
	White.		Colored.					White.		Colored.					White.		Colored.				
	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Native.	Foreign.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Native.	Foreign.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Native.	Foreign.
January	2	4	..	..	6	5	1	1	3	..	..	4	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
February	2	1	..	..	3	..	3	2	..	..	..	2	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
March	2	3	..	..	5	4	1	1	3	..	..	4	1	3	..	1	..	..	1	..	1
April	2	4	1	..	7	2	5	3	3	..	..	6	3	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
May	2	1	..	..	3	3	..	3	3	..	..	6	4	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
June	6	5	..	..	11	7	4	5	6	..	..	11	5	6	..	..	1	..	1	1	..
July	6	1	..	..	7	5	2	5	1	..	..	6	5	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
August	1	7	..	..	8	3	5	..	5	..	..	5	2	3	1	..	..	..	1	1	..
September	4	1	1	..	6	4	2	3	2	1	..	6	3	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
October	2	2	..	..	4	2	2	2	3	..	..	5	4	1	1	..	..	..	1	1	..
November	1	3	..	..	4	1	3	1	2	..	..	3	2	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
December	2	2	..	..	4	4	..	1	3	..	..	4	2	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total	32	34	2	..	68	40	28	27	34	1	..	62	36	26	2	1	1	..	4	3	1

TABLE 7.

Extra Diet issued to Patients in Charity Hospital during the year 1879.

Months.	Average Patients.	Whiskey.	Wine.	Ale.	Cream.	Eggs.	White Sugar.	Crackers.	Beef Tea.	Steaks.	Raw Beef.	Gruel.	Corn Starch.	Rice.	Vegetables.
	No.	Ozs.	Ozs.	Pints.	Pints.	No.	Ozs.	Ozs.	Pints.	No.	Ozs.	Pints.	Pints.	Pints.	Pounds
January	815	11203	3717	701¼	3330	12756	8254	14149	7865	8313	20	8264	....	....	....
February	861	11422	3794	755	3417	12791	8311	14201	7916	8379	28	8371	....	....	....
March	825	12541	3840	903¾	4758	11576	10588	17489	9486	10077	64	10114	18	....	....
April	749	12698	4044	1118	4767	12933	10217	15613	9364	9649	188	9528	26	....	....
May	761	11316	3616	1348	4417	12709	9799	15011	9026	9083	280	8962	26	18	438
June	754	11206	3220	1143	3831	13196	9791	14147	8538	8326	252	8506	335	577	776
July	793	11885	2266	1040	4861	14666	10606	13905	8348	8811	548	8581	96½	132½	506
August	808	12703	2874	1105	5439	11902	11754	15598	7885	9552	708	8854	....	....	372
September	791	12041	2172	729	4829	14437	11257	15557	7590	9511	628	8767	....	....	476
October	802	9815	2746	687	4555	13542	10073	14661	6990	8529	888	7982	12½	103½	208
November	808	8192	3452	752	4177	11974	9628	14434	5414	8224	644	6485	42½	471½	80
December	862	7267	4190	903	5617	13265	10051	16489	7762	8928	944	7411	227½	936½	464
Total	9629	132289	39931	11185	53998	155747	120332	181254	96184	107352	5192	101825	784	2239	3330

TABLE 8.

Abstract of Diseases causing Deaths in Charity Hospital during the year 1879.

Addison's Disease, emphysema, nephritis, pleuritis	1
Alcoholism, asthenia	4
" phthisis	1
" congestion of brain	1
" " " lungs	1
" debility, amyloid degeneration	1
" softening of brain, fatty degen. of kidneys	1
" pneumonia, œdema pulm	1
" " " syncope.	1
" " Bright's disease, pulm. œdema.	1
Abscess of mammæ, heart failure	1
" liver, pneumonia chronic diffuse nephritis	1
" neck and back, meningitis, pulm. œdema	1
" brain, pleurisy, infarction of lungs, syncope	1
Aortic stenasis and regurg, parenchimatoris nephritis	1
Aneurism of arch of aorta, pneumonia, asthma	1
Apneumatasis, apnsea	1
Atelectasis	1
" apnæa	1
" asphyxia	1
Acute miliary tuberculæsis, pneumonia, œdema pulm	1
Acute interstitial nephritis, pthisis, laryngitis	1
Acute interstitial nephrytis, œdema pulm	1
Acute interstitial nephrytis, hypertrophy of heart, renal dropsy	1
Acute nephritis, acute pelvic peritonitis, col lapse	1
Acute nephritis, uræmia	1
Acute pleurisy, peritonitis, pericarditis, pulm. œdema, syncope	1
Abdominal aneurism, rupture syncope	1
Abortion, alcoholism, œdema of lungs, heart failure	1
Bright's disease, asthenia	3
" " croupous pneumonia, œdema plum	1
" " bronchitis, erysipelas, asthema	1
" " uræmia, œdema pulm	2
" " cirrhasis of lines, uræmia.	2
" " cardiac delatation, aortic obstruction	1
" " cerebral hemorrhage, œdema pulm. heart failure	1
" " pneumonia, emphysema, asphyxia	1
" " aortic stenosis, hydrothorax, asthenia	1
" " pulm. ædema	1
" " syphilis, pericarditis	1
Carcinoma of Stomach, phthisis asthma	1
" " cirrhosis of liver	1
" uteri, peritonitis, pleuritis, bronchitis, nephritis	1
" " septicæmia, peritonitis, syncope	1
" " asthenia	2
" jaw, asthenia	3
" lips, face and glands of neck	1
" encephalon asthenia	1
" of stricture, æsophagus, asthenia	1
Carried forward	59

Brought forward	59
Carcinoma (medullary) of neck	1
Cancer of breast, fatty degeneration, heart failure	1
" scratum and penis	1
" uterus, lines and brain, apoplexy, syncope	1
" liver and neck, asthenia	1
Chronic diffuse nephritis, asthenia	3
" " " syncope	1
" " " œdema of lungs, pericarditis	1
" " " œdema of lungs, syncope	1
" " " uraemia	2
" " " " pneumonia, œdema plum.	1
" " " pneumonia asthenia	1
" " " hypertrophy, ceapoplexy	1
" " " aortic regurgitation, asthenia	1
" " " thrombosis, gastritis	1
" " " pleurisy, pneumonia, phthisis, apenia	1
" meningitis, peritonitis, Bright's disease, syncope	1
" cellulitis, peritonitis, pelvic abscess, shock	1
Coroners' Cases	3
Cardiac delatation, phthisis	1
" " hypertrophy, coletis, double pleurisy, apnœa	1
" " hypertrophy, coletis, double pleurisy, apnœa, nephritis, cirrhosis lines syncope	1
" " mitral stenosis, cerebral apoplexy	1
Child birth, cranistorny, rupture ceroix uteri, peritonitis, shock	1
Cerebral softening, asthenia	2
" " dilatation of heart	1
" " œdema pulm. nephritis menires' disease.	1
" " chronic Bright's, general peritonitis, Uræmia	1
" congestion, apenæa	1
" hæmorrhage and softening, œdema pulm. heart failure	1
" spinal meningitis, convulsions	1
" " " œdema of lungs	1
" " " asthenia	1
Cirrhosis of liver, asthenia	1
" " phthisis, laryngitis, calitis	1
" " ascites	1
Cellulitis, peritonitis, pyelo-nephritis, cystitis, syncope	1
Diatietes millititus, phthisis	1
Dilatation and hypertrophy of heart anasarca erysipelas, pyænia	1
Dilatation of heart, aortic obstruction, œdema of lungs	1
Epithelioma of neck (removed) asthenia	1
Extravasation of urine, pleumonia, pulm. œdema	1
Erysipelas of leg, delirium tremens	1
" gangrene, amputation, shock	1
Carried forward	109

TABLE 8.—*Continued.*

Brought forward	109
Erysipelas, phlegmonons, pyæmia, syncope.	1
" " malaria, asthenia	1
Enterocalitis, asthenia	1
" senectus, asthenia	1
Fatty degen. of heart, rupture of cardiac aneurism	1
Fracture of skull, convulsions, asthenia	1
Gangrene of foot (traumatic) asthenia	1
" pyæmia	1
Gastro-enteritis, asthenia	1
Hæmorrhage meningitis, infraction, congest of lungs	1
Hydrocephalus congenital	1
" marasmus, asthenia	1
Hemiplegia, apoplexy, coma	1
" asphyxia	1
Hereditary syphilis, premature birth, ateleclasis	1
Inanitio, asthenia	1
Leprosy, fatty heart, pulm. thrombosis	1
Laryngitis, tracheitis, bronchitis, dyspnœa	1
Multiple cerebro-spinal meningitis, idiopathic peritonitis	1
Multiple cerebro-spinal meningitis, idiopathic peritonitis, sclerasis, asthenia	1
Multiple cerebro-spinal meningitis, idiopathic peritonitis, sclerasis, spinal and cerebral softening	1
Mitral regurgitation, arthritis, asthenia	1
Marasmus, asthenia	5
Meningeal hæmorrhage, pulm. apoplexy	1
" " pneumonia, fatty degen. of heart	1
Myelitis, asthenia	1
Malaria, ulceration, endocarditis, cirrhasis, nephritis	1
Malaria, chronic diffusion nephritis, pneumonia, asthenia	1
Ovarian multiple cyst, asthenia	1
Pemphigus, diarrhœa asthenia	1
Puerperal metritis, endro-metritis syncope.	1
" fever peritonitis, toxicohæmia, syncope	1
" septicæmia, syncope	1
" eclampsia nephritis uræmia, syncope	1
Pyro. nephrosis, multiple renal calculi, aneurism basilar artery	1
Premature birth, asthenia	4
" " inanitio	2
Phthisis, asthenia	104
" dilatation of heart	1
" œdema pulm, asthenia	1
" catarrhal pneumonia	2
" cirrhosis, pneumonia, asthenia	1
" Bright's disease, pneumonia, asthenia	5
" Bright's disease, croupous pneumonia	1
" hæmoptysis, asthenia	1
" valvular disease of heart	1
" haemoptysis, asthenia	1
" valvular disease of heart	1
" Alcoholism	1
" fatty degen. of viscera, asthenia	1
" " " heart, syncope	1
" hemorrhage	1
" axillary abscess	1
" pericarditis, endocarditis, Bright's disease, heart failure	1
" syphilis	1
" pneumonia, pleurisy	2
" " chronic diffuse nephritis, heart disease	1
Carried forward	282

Brought forward	282
Phthisis, fibrious, œdema, pulmonum	2
" aortic stenosis, cardiac syncope	1
" chronic diffuse nephritis, syncope	6
" " " " laryngitis	1
" œdema glottidis, apnœa	1
" cirrhosis of liver, congest. of kidneys, hemorrhage	1
" diarrhœa	1
" acute tuberculosis, asthenia	1
" " nephritis, asthenia	1
" enterocalitis, asthenia	1
" œdema, apnœa	2
" gastritis, senectus	1
Pyelitis, cystitis, asthenia	1
Pulmonary œdema, senectus	1
Pneumohydrothorax, phthisis, nephritis, scirrhosis of spinal cord	1
Paraplegia, asthenia	2
Prolapsus uteri, senectus, asthenia	1
Pneumonia, pleurisy, Bright's disease, heart failure	1
" peritonitis, apnœa	1
" cardiac failure	1
" " " œdema pulm	1
" acute parenchymatous nephritis, œdema pulm	1
" pulm. œdema, collapse	1
" syphilis, gummy tumor of brain	1
" cirrhosis of liver and kidneys	2
Rheumatism, phthisis, Bright's disease, uræmia, œdema pulm	1
Softening of brain, pneumonia, asthenia	1
" " " œdema pulm., asthenia.	1
Suppurating bubo, gangrene, amputation, asthenia	1
Syphilitic paraplegia aphasia, cerebral softening	1
Syphilis, ulcerations, asthenia	1
" phthisis, asthenia	2
" softening of brain, hypostatic pneumonia	1
" pericarditis, heart failure	1
" erysipelas, septicæmia, asthenia.	1
" fatty degen. spleen, regurgitation, pneumonia	1
" epilepsy, burn, purulent absorption, septicæmia	1
" waxy degen. of viscera	1
" pericarditis	1
" thrombosis, softening of brain	1
" scirrhosis of liver and kidneys, amyloid degen	1
" acute exacerbation, chronic diffuse nephritis, uræmia	1
" gastro-enterites, diarrhœa, asthenia	1
" meningitis, asthenia	2
" acute bronchitis, asthenia	1
" chronic diffuse nephritis	3
" gangrene, amputation	1
" convulsions, asthenia	1
" congenital, asthenia	1
Sclerosis, hemiplegia, cirrhosis of kidneys, uræmia	1
Scirrhosis of mammæ, asthenia	1
Senectus, asthenia	2
Stricture urethra, cystitites, pyelo-nephritis pulm. œdema	1
Fraumatic ulcer, general gangrene of foot, septicæmia	1
Tuberculosis, pleurisy, nephritis, phthisis.	1
" meningitis	2
" " heart failure	1
Carried forward	354

TABLE 8.—*Continued.*

Brought forward	354	Brought forward	358
Tuberculosis, acute miliary	1	Uræmia, fatty degeneration, asthenia	1
Umbilical phlebitis, pyæmia	1	Valvular lesion of heart, chronic diffuse nephritis	1
" " peritonitis	1		
Urethral fistula, cystites, amyloid degen.	1	Total	360
Carried forward	358		

TABLE 9.

Abstract of Diseases causing Death in the Epileptic and Paralytic Hospital, 1879.

Bony plate at base of brain, epilepsy, pulm. apoplexy, apnœa	1	Brought forward	2
Coroners' case	1	Epilepsy, chronic interstial nephritis, calculi of kidney	1
		Tuberculosis, peritonitis, asthenia	1
Carried forward	2	Total	4

TABLE 10.

Nativities of Patients admitted to Charity Hospital during the year 1879.

COUNTRY.	Male.	Female.	COUNTRY.	Male.	Female.
United States	1384	1207	Brought forward	3412	2710
Ireland	1264	1116	Norway	6	1
Germany	386	178	Belgium	5	1
England	125	115	Nova Scotia	3	4
Italy	76	4	Hungary	2	3
Scotland	49	33	Spain	2	1
Canada	29	30	Cuba	2	..
France	24	18	West Indies	1	1
Sweden	20	2	South America	1	..
Switzerland	15	2	British Columbia	1	..
Wales	12	3	Greece	1	..
Austria	10	..	Finland	1	..
Denmark	8	..	Africa	..	1
Poland	5	2	Holland	1	..
China	5	..	At Sea	2	2
Carried forward	3412	2710	Total	3440	2724

TABLE 11.

Abstract of Diseases causing Death in Maternity Hospital in 1879.

Atelectasis, apnœa	2	Brought forward	9
Compression of brain, meningitis	1	Premature birth, asthenia	1
Cerebral hæmorrhage, compression of brain, asthenia	1	" " marasmus	1
Coroners' case	1	" " atelectasis, apœna	1
Child-birth, asthenia	1	Pulmonary infarction, compression of brain, asthenia	1
Dilatation of heart, tricuspid regurg., chronic diff, nephritis bronchitis	1	Puerperal metritis, peritonitis, syncope	1
Multiple uterine fibroids, general peritonitis, asthenia	1	Puerperal peritonitis, asthenia	3
Non-closure of foramen ovale, apœna	1	" fever, syncope	1
		" septicæmia, asthenia	2
Carried forward	9	Total	20

TABLE 12.

Nativities of Patients admitted to the Epileptic and Paralytic Hospital during 1879.

COUNTRY.	Male.	Female.	COUNTRY.	Male.	Female.
United States	19	17	Brought forward	34	30
Ireland	4	9	Canada	..	2
Germany	5	3	Scotland	..	1
England	6	1	Sweden	..	1
Carried forward	34	30	Total	34	34

TABLE 13.

Nativities of Mothers admitted to Maternity Hospital during 1879.

United States	135	Brought forward	302
Ireland	120	Canada	2
Germany	27	France	2
England	11	Norway	1
Scotland	7	Sweden	1
Switzerland	2		
Carried forward	302	Total	308

Single	128	
Married	139	
Widowed	41	308

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HOMŒOPATHIC HOSPITAL.

WARD'S ISLAND, May 1st, 1880.

HON. TOWNSEND COX,

President Board of Commissioners of
Public Charities and Correction.

SIR—.It becomes my duty to present to your Honorable Board a report concerning the workings of the Homœopathic Hospital, for the year ending 1879. This labor is imposed upon me by reason of the fact that the former Chief of Staff, Dr. E. Cook Webb, through a multiplicity of other and more important duties no doubt, failed to present a record of his own efforts during the last year of his administration. Being called to the management of this Institution but very recently, my appointment dating only from the 31st of March, 1880, I can give but a brief account of its operations during the period just mentioned; and offer such suggestions only, in the line of improvements, as a cursory glance at the building and the wards may have dictated as advisable and urgent.

To begin with, then, we beg leave to present a table showing the number of admissions, discharges, recoveries and deaths, at this Hospital, during the year 1879, as indicated by the records.

Number remaining, January 1st, 1879	302
" admitted during the year	3,130
" discharged " " "	2,860
" died " " "	192
" remaining, January 1st, 1880	380

The remaining statistical tables will be found in the appendix to this report. These tables are from records kept by Dr. Webb.

We are happy to state that on assuming charge we found the hospital in a clean and orderly condition, which reflects credit upon the previous management.

The records of the Institution show that no serious epidemic has prevailed, and the percentage of deaths has been moderate. The percentage of "recoveries" and "improvements" compare favorably

with those of any previous year of the Hospital's history, as will be seen on reference to the proper table.

Clinical Lectures to students, by the Visiting Board, have been continued, as usual, with marked benefit to those who enjoyed the privilege of listening to them.

The labor report, Table No. 1, appendix, shows that numerous minor improvements have been effected, and the condition of the building thereby considerably improved. In short the general work of the hospital, both medical and otherwise, has been such, as may be regarded as both successful and satisfactory.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

We now venture to recommend that your Honorable Board take into careful consideration the feasibility of supplying this Institution, during the coming year with the following, which may be classed both as improvements and imperative necessities.

First—New floors, particularly in Ward B, which are now sadly worn.

Second—An additional tank for water, for reserve in case of fire.

Third—A new range in the Kitchen to replace the one in present use which is both small and worn out.

Fourth—Tramways and elevators for conveying food from the kitchen to the wards.

Fifth—More laundry facilities, that cleanliness of clothing and bedding, for our increasing numbers, may be insured.

Sixth—A microscope and apparatus for pathological investigation.

We cannot presume to weary your patience with a long dissertation upon our necessities; but request your earnest attention to these matters, and a thorough investigation as to their practicability when visiting and examining the Hospital.

REPORT OF PATHOLOGIST.

One hundred and eighteen (118) autopsies have been made, and the notes carefully kept. A few of the more interesting ones are given below. Some rare and instructive specimens have been added to the Museum.

The following supplies have been received: 1 Valentine's knife; 1 large urinometer and stand; 1 dozen test tubes; 1 rubber bulb

syringe; 1 blow-pipe; 1 small pair scissors; 4 dozen specimen jars; 4 lbs. glycerine; 6 galls. alcohol.

During the Autumn the Dead House was fitted up with double doors, containing glass windows, and a small stove, which made it comfortable to work in during the Winter.

Telegraphic communication has been established, and now the Curators can be notified when their services are required.

218 Urinary examinations have been made and careful records have been kept of the results.

The Institution is still without a microscope, a deficiency which is often greatly felt, as it would be of service in diagnosis and aid in a more minute and careful examination of morbid specimens.

The following is a list of specimens added to the Museum: 1, Dermoid Cyst. 2, Epithelioma of Lip. 3, Tubercular Peritonitis. 4, Horse-shoe Kidney. 5, Pneumonia, 3d stage. 6, Calcification of Aortic and Mitral Valves. 7, Aneurism of Thoracic Aorta. 8, Scirrhus of Spleen. 9, Hydro Nephrosis. 10, Parenchymatous Nephrites, 2d and 3d stages. 11, Tubercular Ulceration of Intestine. 12, Scirrhus of Uterus. 13, Cardiac Hypertrophy with Mitral Tricuspid and Aortic Thickening and Insufficiency. 14, Scirrhus of Liver. 15, Myomata Uteri.

AUTOPSY NO. 1.

J. McN; 47 years, male.—Autopsy 12 hours after death.

Pneumo Hydrothorax.

External appearance.—Body well preserved, no emaciation, slight œdema of the extremities. *Rigor Mortis* marked.

Height.—Five feet seven inches.

Chest.—Thirty-six inches.

Head.—Twenty-two inches.

Abdomen.—Thirty-three inches.

Weight.—180 pounds.

Thoracic Cavity.—A thick layer of adipose tissue surrounded the pericardium, which was normal.

Heart.—Right ventricle and auricle, tricuspid and pulmonary valves normal; left ventricle dilated and empty, walls slightly hypertrophied, soft and anæmic. Mitral and aortic valves slightly thickened.

Pleuræ.—Left, contains a large amount of sero-albuminous fluid, small flocculis of lymph are floating in it. The lung is forced up to the level of the sixth rib. Visceral layer of pleura thickened and adherent to the lung. Right, also contained a large amount of fluid through which, upon opening the chest, bubbles of inoffensive gas arose. Pleura much thickened and over the apex of lung was quite emphycematous, and crepitated upon pressure, emiting bubbles of air. The air seemed to have forced its way into the meshes of the pleura, forming small air sacks, which were easily ruptured by pressure.

Lungs.—Left weighs twenty-five ounces and is of a dark purplish color. Lower lobe seems comified and devoid of air. The upper lobe crepitates slightly upon pressure; upon its anterior surface it presents numerous spots of vesicular emphysema. The apex contains numerous small cavities and cheesy nodules. Lung tissue is much pigmented and slightly œdematous. Mucous membrane of large and small bronchi congested and softened. Right weighed thirty-eight ounces. Spots of vesicular emphysema over the anterior surface of upper lobe; tissue pigmented, congested and œdematous. Pressure caused a flow of sero-albuminous fluid; lower lobe nearly cornified and had a doughy, boggy feel. Apex contained small cavities, one of which communicates externally with the pleural sack and internally with bunches of medium size, small cheesy nodules scattered throughout apex a considerable hyperplasia of connective tissue about smaller bronchi, giving a nodular appearance to the lung.

Abdominal Cavity—Liver.—Weighed sixty-eight ounces. Surface smooth, capsule non-adherent, edges rounded, tissue pale, soft and friable, much congested. Gall bladder distended with a thin yellow bile.

Spleen.—Tissue pale, soft and pulpy. Weighed eight ounces.

Kidneys.—Left weighed eight ounces. Capsule non-adhesive, tissue soft and anæmic. Cortex much increased and of a pale, fatty color, with here and there small spots of punctate congestion; right weighed seven ounces. Condition same as the other. Supra-renal capsule normal.

Stomach, Intestines, and other viscera normal.

AUTOPSY NO. 2.

J. D.; 38 years, male.—Autopsy seventeen hours after death.

PHTHISIS PULMONALIS AND HORSE-SHOE KIDNEY.

External appearance.—Rigor Mortis marked.

Height.—Five feet nine inches.

Chest.—Thirty-two inches.

Head.—Twenty-one inches.

Abdomen.—Twenty-seven inches.

Thoracic Cavity.—Pericardium slightly thickened and adherent to diaphragm; contained two ounces of fluid.

Heart.—Weighed twelve (12) ounces; right ventricle dilated and filled with thick black clots; tissue normal, tricuspid and pulmonary valves normal; auricle same; pleuræ somewhat thickened and firmly adherent over entire surface.

Lungs.—Left weighed thirty-nine (39) ounces; upper lobe dark-colored over surface; slightly emphysematous; upon section presents numerous small cavities filled with pus, and some yellowish, cheesy nodules; a good deal of connective tissue; hyperplasia about the smaller bronchi. *Bronchi* dilated in some places and contracted in others, mucous membrane congested, tubes filled up with muco-purulent material; lower lobe cuts as if solid, is dark red and does not crepitate; upon pressure seems quite dry; pieces sink in water. Right: weighed twenty-nine ounces, entire upper lobe occupied by a large cavity; some smaller ones in the upper part of lower lobe; tissue much pigmented; numerous small, fibrous nodules scattered throughout the lung.

Abdominal Cavity—Liver.—Weighed forty-nine (49) ounces; edge rounded, capsule non-adherent, tissue pale and soft, breaking down easily upon pressure.

Spleen.—Weighed three (3) ounces; tissue firm and anæmic.

Kidneys.—Weighed twelve (12) ounces; the two organs lay in their normal position, perhaps a little too near each other, connected to one another at their lower extremities, which seemed prolonged and curved inwardly more than usual by a band of the same color and consistency as the organs themselves; the band, as it crossed anterior to the great vessels lying on the spinal column, measured from one and a quarter ($1\frac{1}{4}$) to one and a half ($1\frac{1}{2}$) inches in width, by three-eighths ($\frac{3}{8}$) of an inch in thickness, thus forming a complete horseshoe, the convexity being downward and the concavity upward; they were broad and much flattened; the ureters passed over the connecting band about two (2) inches apart, and then continued their normal course to the fundus of bladder; the renal veins met nearly opposite each other in the vena cava, three (3) inches above the connecting band; the arteries took their normal course above the veins.

Remaining abdominal organs normal.

AUTOPSY No. 3.

F. C.; 22 years, female—Autopsy twelve hours after death.

TERTIARY SYPHILIS.

External appearance.—Great emaciation, syphilitic ulcers scattered over body, and especially large over the forehead; enlarged glands in groin; nodes of large size over tibia.

Height.—Five feet.

Head.—Twenty inches.

Chest.—Twenty-seven inches.

Abdomen.—Seventeen inches.

Thoracic Cavity.—*Pericardium* normal.

Heart.—Weighed three (3) ounces; right ventricle and auricle nominal; pulmonary valves normal; left ventricle, tissue anæmic; auricle normal; thickening and retraction of mitral valves; aortic valves normal.

Pleuræ.—Thickened, and surface slightly adherent in places.

Lungs.—Left weighed five (5) ounces; collapsed tissue normal except over surface; a few spots of lobular emphysema slightly pigmented; right, weighed nine (9) ounces; the upper lobe slightly emphysematous, a small cheesy nodule, as large as a pigeon's egg, occupied the apex, a good deal of fibrous induration about it.

Bronchi.—Dilated in spots; mucous membrane congested and softened.

Abdominal Cavity.—*Liver.*—Weighed thirty-one (31) ounces; capsule thickened and with marked diaphragmatic adhesions; edges well marked, tissue soft and breaks down easily under pressure, with a soft granular fracture.

Spleen.—Weighed four (4) ounces; tissue, pale and soft.

Kidneys.—Left weighed two and a half (2½) ounces; capsule much thickened and slightly adherent; surface nodular, pale, and contains some small uriniferous cysts; cortex diminished at periphery; much increased between pyramids, causing their obliteration. Right weighed two (2) ounces—same as the other.

Supra renal capsules.—Normal.

Stomach and Intestines.—Slightly congested.

Uterus.—Slightly enlarged, mucous membrane of body and cervix softened and congested; cavity contains a large amount of mucus.

Ovaries.—Left, normal; right consists of a large pear-shaped cyst, the contents being of a yellow lardaceous substance, which is largely intermingled with hair of different lengths; no bones or teeth could be detected.

AUTOPSY NO. 4.

B. F.; 50 years, male.—Autopsy twelve hours after death.

CEREBRAL APOPLEXY.

External appearances.—Head.—Twenty-one inches.

Chest.—Thirty-two inches.

Abdomen.—Twenty-six inches.

Height.—Five feet five inches.

Weight.—150 pounds.

Rigor Mortis marked; no œdema nor external marks.

Head.—Eucephalon.—Dura mater thickened and firmly adherent along longitudinal simes, evidences of great effusion of blood under teutorium cerebelli, pressing upon upper surface of the cerebellum; substance of brain markedly congested throughout; vessels throughout brain show evidences of localized fatty degeneration affecting outer coats; left lateral ventricle filled with blood clots; floor and roof normal in consistency; left choroid plexus markedly congested; inter-ventricular septum softened and somewhat broken down; right lateral ventricle filled with blood clots one and a half (1½) ounces in weight; parts forming floor as well as roof softened and white; parts about posterior cornu more firm; right choroid plexus much congested; third and fourth ventricle filled with clots; walls softened.

Thoracic Cavity.—Pericardium normal; contained one and a half (1½) ounces of fluid.

Heart.—Weight twenty (20) ounces; right side of the organ normal; left auricle dilated; walls of ventricle greatly hypertrophied; tissue firm; marked insufficiency of mitral valve; aortic valves normal; foramen ovale imperforate.

Pleuræ.—Adhesions of right side to diaphragm, otherwise normal.

Lungs.—Right weighed twenty-seven (27) ounces; left, twenty (20) ounces; normal except slightly congested.

Abdominal Cavity—Liver.—Normal; weighed fifty-three (53) ounces.

Kidneys.—Right weighed four and a half (4½) ounces; left, same; both congested.

Spleen.—Weighed three (3) ounces; normal.

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THE INEBRIATE ASYLUM.

This department of our Institution is of doubtful utility. In it four patients have been treated during the year, and the benefits to these have been of a questionable character.

If an inebriate recovers at all it is generally by the proper exercise of his own will.

INSANE DEPARTMENT.

In this department we have 150 women, mostly cases of chronic mania and dementia.

We regret to state that this building is but poorly adapted to caring for the insane. By the monopoly in this way of two of our largest wards, the hospital proper is contracted to such limits as precludes the proper classification and separation of different forms of disease. Therefore we would respectfully urge the removal of our insane to more suitable quarters, that they may be more properly cared for, and that the wards hitherto diverted to this purpose may be employed for their ligitimate uses.

CONCLUSION.

In conclusion we may be permitted to state that the religious wants of our patients, during the past year, have been faithfully ministered to by the Rev. Fathers Duranquet and Galinas, and the Rev. Messrs. Willetts and Willing. The Institution was also favored with visits from the ladies of the Homœopathic Guild, the Guild of St. Elizabeth and the Bible and Fruit Mission, and these have all furnished many delicacies and comforts to the afflicted ones who here find a temporary home. For these many acts of kindness and charity the fair donors will accept, on the behalf of the patients, our grateful thanks.

To the Medical Board for their cordial endorsement, and to your Honorable Board for the great honor conferred upon me, by an appointment to the position of Chief of Staff, I tender my profound obligations. Deeply sensible of the weighty responsibilities which I have assumed, I cannot but request your patient forbearance, and your support and encouragement, so far as I may be found worthy and working for the right.

My most earnest efforts and fullest abilities will be devoted to

furthering the welfare and securing the prosperity of this established charity; and whatever may be my own reward, I humbly trust that by my labors the interests of the Institution committed to my care may be conserved, and the credit of my superior officers enhanced.

I am, sir,

Very Respectfully Yours,

ALONZO P. WILLIAMSON,

Chief of Staff.

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TABLE No. 1.—*Labor Report*, 1879.

MISCELLANEOUS IMPROVEMENTS AND REPAIRS.

New ventilators and skylights in Wards G and H; 5,177 square feet of flooring put down; 305 feet of fence, 3 feet high, put up; 124 windows with new cord; 24 new clothes posts; 1 pair heavy double doors for Dead House; top of large chimney at boiler house rebuilt; gas coal shed rebuilt; 875 feet of trench dug, and pipe laid for Croton water; cleaned and repaired large Croton tank; 140 lights of glass put in; 3,180 feet of hedge trimmed and put in order.

REPAIRED.

1 skylight, 6 water closets, 119 windows, 30 doors, 11 tables, 4 benches, 6 head rests, 2 meat boxes, 2 refrigerators, 4 bedsteads, 4 stands, 24 pair blinds, 1 laundry quaker, 1 new bottom (meat cart), 1 laundry dryer, 14 bed screens, 4 closets, 4 bread boxes, 1 step-ladder, 130 stools, 63 chairs, 13 head rests, 8 wheelbarrows, 1 instrument case, 3 wardrobes, 1 wringer, 4 towel racks, 3 bureaus, 1 book case, 1 sideboard, 1 wash stand.

PAINTED.

Entire roof of hospital, cornices, gutters, leaders, &c., two coats roofing paint; roof, gutters, &c., of Boiler and Gas House, gas holder and frame work; main hall, and wards A, C, D; floor of main halls, 2 coats oil; 4 meat boxes, 2 double doors, 30 pairs blinds, 24 brackets, 5 stretchers, 77 iron bedsteads, 14 benches, 1 amputating table, 4 litz baths, 72 windows (wood work), 3 iron stairways and stoops, 1 plumbers' bench, 1 window ladder, 1 bread box, 2 bathrooms, 2 bedrooms, 2 large rooms, 1 dining room, 1 summer house, 8 boilers, pipes, &c., in kitchen.

KALSOMINED.

Amphitheatre, 2 dining rooms, 4 small rooms, 3 wards, gas house, purifying room, 6 bathrooms, 1 bread room, 3 large rooms and cellar.

LINEN ROOM.

Repaired 1,154 sheets, 467 pillow cases, 867 men's shirts, 1,080 cotton chemises, 360 flannel chemises, 227 flannel drawers, 364 petticoats, 269 night gowns, 1,033 dresses, 16 blankets, 694 bed ticks, 83 white spreads, 46 colored spreads, 808 pair pants, 237 jackets, 28 hand towels, 18 roller towels, 7 flannel blouses.

18 hair mattresses re-made; 180 women's hoods made.

CARPENTER WORK.

Made 2 clothes boxes, 2 drug boxes, 2 stretchers, 6 drop doors, 5 closets, 3 dish trays, 3 dressers, 1 meat board, 4 tables, 1 pastry board, 3 book racks, 5 towel racks, 1 stand, 7 snow shovels, 20 window frames, 6 door saddles, 10 doors, 13 drop shelves, 20 pair crutches, 1 coal box, 2 ladders, 1 bath platform, 2 corner posts, 3 gas drip boxes, 1 dry well cover, 2 bread boards, 2 window sills, 6 clothes poles, 8 pail covers, 2 benches, 3 window jacks, 5 risers, 5 door sills, 1 tool chest, 2 stretcher awnings, 4 meat boxes, 8 splints, 1 window ladder, 1 shirt board, 1 cutting board, 1 ironing board, 1 side board, 4 gas pipe boxes, 1 radiator box, 1 ice box rack, 8 brackets, 2 foot boards, 5 corner pieces, 4 water-closet platforms, 1 bed frame, 1 book rack, 9 angle saddles, 1 sign board, 1 laundry wringer frame, 24 patent bottoms put on chairs.

ENGINEER'S DEPARTMENT.

New sewer pipe in cellar; new return pipe in cellar; 3 steam heaters reset; new drip pipe from engine; repairing return pipe in kitchen; repairing steam pipe in laundry drying room; repairing main gas pipe and dry well; setting new sink, corporation kitchen ; putting cold water pipes in bread room; new feed pipe for water-closet, Ward I; re-setting 3 bath tubs and new waste pipe, Wards C and D; setting new basin, Ward C; re-setting 2 bath tubs, Ward F; hot water pipes put in Wards A, B, C, D, E and F; re-setting 2 bath tubs in ward E; repairing laundry Quakers; new sink set and gas put in staff kitchen; new syphon pipe, for dry well, gas house; repairing hot water tank; new water closet, Ward I; 30 feet earthen sewer pipe set.

GAS HOUSE.

2,770,400 feet of gas was manufactured for use of Insane Asylum and this Hospital.

BONE MILL.

250 bbls. bone dust was manufactured.

TABLE 2.

Dietary Table, Homœopathic Hospital Patients.

1st. Week.	BREAKFAST.										DINNER.											SUPPER.						
	Coffee.	Milk.	Sugar.	Wheat Grits.	Hominy.	Syrup.	Rice.	Bread.	Butter.	Oatmeal.	Beef.	Potatoes.	Vegetables.	Soup.	Mutton.	Beans.	Codfish.	Fresh Fish.	Macaroni.	Bread.		Tea.	Milk.	Sugar.	Dried Fruit.	Cheese.	Bread.	Butter.
	oz	oz	oz	oz	oz	oz	oz	oz	oz	oz	oz	oz	oz	pt	oz	oz	oz	oz	oz	oz		oz	oz	oz	oz	oz	oz	oz
Sunday	3-8	1-2	1-2	2	..	1	..	6	1-2	..	12	8	4	1	..	1½	..	..	....	6		½	1-2	1-2	..	..	6	1-2
Monday	3-8	1-2	1-2	..	..	..	..	6	1-2	..	12	8	4	1	..	..	..	..	....	6		½	1-2	1	1	..	6	1-2
Tuesday	3-8	1	1-2	..	2	..	..	6	1-2	..	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	8	....	6		½	1-2	1-2	..	1	6	1-2
Wednesday	3-8	1-2	1-2	..	..	1	2	6	1-2	..	12	8	4	1	..	..	..	..	1-2	6		½	1-2	1-2	..	..	6	1-2
Thursday	3-8	1-2	1-2	..	..	..	..	6	1-2	..	..	8	4	1	12	..	..	..	....	6		½	1-2	1-2	..	..	6	1-2
Friday	3-8	1-2	1-2	2	..	1	..	6	1-2	..	..	8	..	..	..	..	8	..	....	6		½	1-2	1-2	..	..	6	1-2
Saturday	3-8	1-2	1-2	..	..	..	..	6	1-2	..	12	8	4	1	..	..	..	..	....	6		½	1-2	1	1	..	6	1-2

2d. Week.	Coffee.	Milk.	Sugar.	Oatmeal.	Syrup.	Wheat Grits.	Rice.	Hominy.	Bread.	Butter.	Beef.	Potatoes.	Vegetables.	Soup.	Beans.	Mutton.	Codfish.	Barley.	Macaroni.	Fresh Fish.	Bread.	Tea.	Milk.	Sugar.	Cheese.	Dried Fruit.	Bread.	Butter.
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Sunday	3-8	1-2	1-2	..	1	..	..	2	6	1-2	12	8	4	1	1½	..	..	..	....	..	6	½	1-2	1-2	..	..	6	1-2
Monday	3-8	1-2	1-2	..	..	..	..	..	6	1-2	..	8	4	1	..	12	..	..	....	..	6	½	1-2	1-2	..	..	6	1-2
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Wednesday	3-8	1-2	1-2	..	1	2	..	..	6	1-2	12	8	4	1	..	..	..	1	....	..	6	½	1-2	1-2	..	..	6	1-2
Thursday	3-8	1-2	1-2	..	1	..	..	2	6	1-2	12	8	4	1	..	..	..	..	1-2	..	6	½	1-2	1	..	1	6	1-2
Friday	3-8	1-2	1	..	..	..	2	..	6	1-2	..	8	..	..	..	..	8	..	....	..	6	½	1-2	1-2	..	..	6	1-2
Saturday	3-8	1	1-2	2	..	..	..	..	6	1-2	..	8	4	1	..	12	..	..	....	..	6	½	1-2	1-2	..	..	6	1-2

TABLE 3.

General Statement, 1879.

PATIENTS.	Males.	Females.	Total.	N.	F.
Remaining January 1st, 1879	213	89	302	113	189
Births	6	3	9	9	0
Admissions	2176	945	3121	836	2285
Total	2395	1037	3432	958	2474
Discharges	1987	873	2860	767	2093
Deaths	123	69	192	60	132
Total	2110	942	3052	827	2225
Remaining January 1st, 1880	285	95	380	131	249

Whole number treated	3432
Deaths	192
Rate per cent. of deaths	5.59

TABLE 4.

Admissions, Births, Discharges and Deaths, 1879.

PATIENTS.	Admissions.			Births.			Discharges.			Deaths.		
	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.
January	219	84	303	..	..	..	129	51	180	17	9	26
February	170	72	242	..	..	..	165	68	233	17	4	21
March	172	64	236	..	..	..	209	68	277	11	5	16
April	200	89	289	1	..	1	173	76	249	12	6	18
May	196	63	259	..	..	..	194	73	267	13	5	18
June	190	93	283	..	..	..	183	77	260	7	5	12
July	174	92	266	2	..	2	171	91	262	6	7	13
August	186	87	273	1	..	1	164	82	246	7	4	11
September	157	83	240	1	1	2	178	73	251	7	7	14
October	162	79	241	1	..	1	121	73	194	11	10	21
November	162	69	231	..	1	1	128	66	194	7	1	8
December	188	70	258	..	1	1	172	75	247	8	6	14
Total	2176	945	3121	6	3	9	1987	873	2860	123	69	192

TABLE 5.

Nativities of Patients, 1879.

Countries.	Males.	Females	Countries.	Males.	Females.
United States	626	219	Brought forward	2086	933
Ireland	977	552	Belgium	1	1
England	93	58	Denmark	4	1
Scotland	40	14	Switzerland	14	4
Germany	294	67	Holland	2	....
France	25	6	St. John's	4	1
Sweden	11	3	Russia	3	....
Canada	16	11	Italy	30	1
Wales	4	3	Other countries	38	7
Carried forward	2086	933	Total	2182	948

Native—Males	626	
Females	219	
		845
Foreign—Males	1,556	
Females	729	
		2285
Total		3130

TABLE 6.

Condition of Patients Discharged, 1879.

Months.	Cured.			Improved.			Unimproved.		
	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.
January	75	18	93	54	33	87	0	0	0
February	93	43	136	70	25	95	2	0	2
March	130	49	179	79	19	98	0	0	0
April	108	48	156	61	27	88	5	0	5
May	108	42	150	81	30	111	5	1	6
June	102	48	150	81	29	110	0	0	0
July	77	35	112	94	51	145	2	3	5
August	76	48	124	87	32	119	1	2	3
September	87	40	127	81	29	110	7	7	14
October	49	29	78	66	43	109	6	1	7
November	49	29	78	75	37	112	4	0	4
December	87	46	133	80	29	109	5	0	5
Total	1041	475	1516	909	384	1293	37	14	51

TABLE 7.

Coroners and Moribund Cases.

	1879. NAME.	Age.	Admitted, 1879.	Time.	Date of Death, 1879.	Time.	In Hospital. Days.	In Hospital. Hours.	Causes of Death. Primary.	Causes of Death. Secondary.
1	Annie Bruce	26	Dec. 30, '78	11.30 A.M.	Jan. 1	10.00 P.M.	2	10½	Fatty heart, liver and kidneys and mitral insufficiency	Exhaustion.
2	John Perry	33	Jan. 23	11.50 A.M.	Jan. 26	3.50 P.M.	3	4	Mitral and aortic insufficiency	Apnœa.
3	Peter Pink	53	Jan. 30	11.30 A.M.	Jan. 31	7.30 A.M.	.....	20	Idiopathic erysipelas of leg	Asthenia.
4	Joseph Treat	55	Feb. 1	4.30 P.M.	Feb. 4	10.30 A.M.	2	18	Pleuro pneumonia	Cardiac paralysis.
5	James McCabe	18	Feb. 5	4.50 P.M.	Feb. 6	9.50 A.M.	.....	17	.....	Coroner's case.
6	John F. Sullivan	31	July 11, '78	11.30 A.M.	Feb. 21	1.05 A.M.	224	13½	.....	Coroner's case.
7	John Ball	50	Mar. 25	4.30 P.M.	Mar. 27	5.30 A.M.	1	13	Chronic diarrhœa	Cardiac paralysis.
8	Margaret Holmes	49	Apr. 14	11.30 A.M.	Apr. 15	9.00 A.M.	.....	21½	Alcoholismus and typhoid pneumonia.	Cardiac paralysis.
9	Ann Flood	40	Apr. 16	4.30 P.M.	Apr. 18	5.30 A.M.	1	13	Peritonitis "idiopathic"	Asthenia.
10	Edwin Bates	57	May 31	4.30 P.M.	June 3	2.30 A.M.	2	10	Phthisis	Asthenia.
11	Henry Cordes	68	July 16	11.30 A.M.	July 17	2.40 P.M.	1	3	Fatty degeneration of arteries	Apoplexy.
12	Ann Carroll	25	Aug. 9	11.30 A.M.	Aug. 11	2.30 P.M.	2	3	Chronic alcoholismus	Cardiac failure.
13	Oscar Cross	27	Aug. 14	4.30 P.M.	Aug. 15	9.15 A.M.	.....	16¾	Aortic and mitral insufficiency	Cardiac paralysis.
14	Ellen Smith	37	Sept. 22	11.30 A.M.	Sept. 24	5.30 A.M.	1	18	Asthenic meningitis, with chronic alcoholismus	Cardiac failure.
15	Margaret Roach	34	Oct. 1	4.30 P.M.	Oct. 3	6.45 A.M.	1	14¼	Phthisis	Asthenia.
16	Jane Gallagher	35	Oct. 18	4.30 P.M.	Oct. 21	9.45 P.M.	3	5¼	Phthisis pulmonalis	Asthenia.
17	Anton Schaeffer	45	Dec. 4	4.30 P.M.	Dec. 5	9.00 P.M.	1	4½	Alcoholismus	Cerebral congestion.
18	Frederick Sleicher	72	Dec. 16	11.30 A.M.	Dec. 19	7.30 P.M.	3	8	Abscess of neck	Idiopathic gangrenous erysipelas of neck and chest.
19	Thomas Crosby	39	Dec. 27	4.30 P.M.	Dec. 28	6.15 A.M.	.....	13¾	Rupture of an emphysematous lobule	Shock.
20	Margaret Dorney	56	Dec. 26	4.30 P.M.	Dec. 28	6.45 A.M.	1	14¼	Mitral insufficiency	Cardiac failure.

TABLE 8.

Showing diseases causing death during 1879.

Abscess, Hepatic	1
Abscess of Neck	1
Abscess and Caries of Inferior Maxilla	1
Alcoholism and Opium Habit	1
Alcoholismus, Chronic	2
Alcoholismus and Typhoid Pneumonia	1
Alcoholismus and Catarrhal Phthisis	1
Amputation of Thigh at Middle 3d	1
Aneurism of Abdominal Aorta	2
Aortic and Mitral Obstruction	2
Aortic Obstruction and Mitral Insufficiency	1
Bronchitis, Chronic	1
Cancer, Encephaloid	1
Cancer of Breast, Scirrhous	1
Carcinoma Uteri, Encephaloid	1
Cerebral Congestion	2
Cerebral Softening	1
Cerebral Softening and Phthisis	1
Cirrhosis of Liver	2
Coroner's Case	2
Cystitis, Chronic	1
Debility, Senile, and Atheroma of Arteries	1
Diabetes, Insipidus	1
Diarrhœa, Chronic	1
Enteritis, Gastro, and Gangrene of Rectum	1
Epilepsia Gravior	1
Epithelioma of Cervix Uteri	1
Erysipelas, Idiopathic	3
Erysipelas, Traumatic	1
Erysipelas, Phlegmonous	1
Fatty Heart, Liver and Kidneys	1
Fatty Degeneration and Dilatation of Heart	1
Fatty Degeneration of Arteries	1
Gangrene of Leg	1
Carried Forward	42
Brought Forward	42
Gangrena Pulmon	1
Meningitis, Cerebral	1
Meningitis, Asthenic, and Chronic Alcoholismus	1
Mitral Insufficiency	4
Mitral and Aortic Insufficiency	3
Morbus Brightii	1
Nephritis, Acute Desquamative	1
Nephritis, Parenchymatous	9
Paraplegia from Chronic Myelitis	1
Perforation of Endocardium of Right Ventricle	1
Peritonitis, Idiopathic	1
Phthisis	40
Phthisis, Catarrhal	1
Phthisis, Pulmonalis	59
Phthisis, Tubercular	2
Phthisis Pulmonalis and Typhoid Fever	1
Pleuritis Chronica	1
Pneumonia	1
Pneumonia, Croupous	2
Pneumonia, Pleuro	2
Pneumonia, Typhoid	3
Premature Birth	1
Pyæmia from Suppurative Choroiditis, Idiopathic	1
Rupture of an Emphesematous Lobule	1
Scirrhus Uteri	3
Scirrhus of Stomach near Pylorus	1
Scirrhus of Right Breast	1
Stenosis, Aortic	1
Stenosis, Mitral	1
Stenosis, Tricuspid, Aortic and Mitral	1
Syphilis, Tertiary	1
Tumor, Ovarian	1
Ulcer of Duodenum, Perforating	1
Total	192

Total	2	.....	2	2	.....
Remaining, January 1, 1880	2	.....	2	2	.....

TABLE 10.

General Statement for the year 1879.

INSANE.	F.	Total.	M.	F.
Remaining January 1st, 1879	150	150	22	128
Admissions	43	43	6	37
Total	193	193	28	165
Discharged	3	3	2	1
Deaths	17	17	5	12
Transfers	25	25	2	23
Total	45	45	9	36
Remaining January 1st, 1880	148	148	19	129

Whole number treated	193
Deaths	17
Rate per cent. of Deaths	8.81

TABLE 11.

Diseases Causing Death of Insane Patients during the year 1879.

Apoplexia serosa	1	Brought forward	9
Atheroma of all cerebral arteries	1	Melancholia, chronic	2
Cerebral softening	1	Mitral insufficiency and dementia	1
Cerebral softening and dementia	1	Occlusion of Biliary passages and softening of liver	1
Dementia	1	Paresis, general	1
Dementia, chronic	1	Phthisis pulmonalis	1
Dementia, senile	1	Pneumonia	1
Mania, epileptic	1	Syphilis and melancholia	1
Melancholia	1		
Carried forward	9	Total	17

TABLE 12.

General Statement—Inebriate Asylum, 1879.

	Males.	F'male	Total.	Native	For'gn
Remaining, January 1, 1879	4	.....	4	4	.....
Admissions	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total	4	.....	4	4	.....
Discharges	2	.....	2	2	.....
Total	2	.....	2	2	.....
Remaining, January 1, 1880	2	.....	2	2	.....

TABLE 14.

General Statement—Workhouse Help, 1879.

	Males.	F'male	Total.	Native	For'gn
Remaining, January 1, 1879	23	58	81	21	60
Admissions	541	1096	1637	656	981
Total	564	1154	1718	677	1041
Discharges	523	1075	1598	635	963
Transfers	9	26	35	11	24
Elopements	4	.....	4	4	.....
Total	536	1101	1637	650	987
Remaining, January 1, 1880	28	53	81	27	54

TABLE 15.

General Statement—Workhouse Patients, 1879.

	Males.	F'male	Total.	Native	For'gn
Remaining, January 1, 1879	2	1	3	2	1
Admissions	9	26	35	11	24
Total	11	27	38	13	25
Discharges	5	20	25	10	15
Transfers	5	6	11	3	8
Deaths	.....	1	1	.....	1
Total	10	27	37	13	24
Remaining, January 1, 1880	1	.....	1	.....	1

INFANTS HOSPITAL.

RANDALL'S ISLAND, JANUARY 1ST, 1880.

HON. TOWNSEND COX,

President Department of

Public Charities and Correction.

SIR.—I have the honor to submit the following report of this Institution for the year ending December 31st, 1879.

During that time there have been admitted seven hundred and eighty (780) children, of whom three hundred and sixty-two (362) were orphans, and four hundred and eighteen (418) were with their mothers. There were in the Hospital January 1st, 1879, one hundred and eighty-nine (189) children, and boarding out in Westchester County, sixty-five (65), making the total number cared for during the year ten hundred and thirty-four (1,034), a decrease of eighty-two (82) from last year.

There were one hundred and eighty (180) women with children received from the Work-House, who were committed for drunkenness and disorderly conduct for terms ranging from ten (10) days to six (6) months, the remainder, two hundred and thirty-eight (238), were admitted by Mr. Blake (Supt. Out-door Poor) from the city as destitute.

There were one hundred and thirteen (113) foundlings received during the year. The children selected to board in families in Westchester County on the plan known as the "Farmed-out system," are taken from this class.

The accompanying table E will show the number cared for in this manner at a monthly expense of twelve dollars ($12) for each child.

The other tables will show the admissions, discharges, adoptions, and deaths during each month, with their condition when admitted, as determined by the examining physicians.

I take pleasure in reporting that we have succeeded in procuring homes for a larger number of children during the past year than during any other year in the history of the Institution. There were adopted to respectable families through the Supt. Out-door Poor twenty-five (25) orphan boys and twenty-eight (28) girls, making a total of fifty-three (53).

We were visited during the year by two epidemics, one of Scarletina and one of Rubeola; as soon as they became known we did all that our limited means would allow to prevent the diseases from spreading through the Hospital. Fortunately, they were not severe, and there were but few deaths from them. How the diseases were imported could not be learned. It is believed that after the Quarantine building is erected, which has been ordered by your Honorable Board, we shall be able to a large degree, if not entirely, head off these visitations of epidemic diseases, and thus materially reduce the death-rate of this institution.

The general repairs and improvements of the interior and exterior of the building have been attended to as well as possible with the help received from the Work-House.

Owing to the small number of skilled mechanics committed to the Work House during the year it has been impossible for me to obtain the requisite number to make many contemplated repairs on the exterior of the building.

The wards and halls have all been painted and kalsomined, the closets and bath rooms have all been overhauled, and are now in an excellent condition; the ceilings in these rooms have been replaced by ceiling boards, which are so arranged that they can be taken down in a few moments when it is necessary to repair the traps and pipes.

I would call the attention of your Honorable Board to the necessity of placing wire screens around the steam heaters in the wards; last winter several of the walking children were burned by handling the pipes, which could not have happened had they been properly protected.

The Penitentiary men are at work filling in and grading the grounds lying between the road and sea wall; this improvement when completed will add greatly to the appearance of the west side of the island.

The several holidays have all been suitably observed, the generosity of your Honorable Board have enabled us to provide the inmates with an extra dinner of poultry, and to supply the children with cakes candies and fruits.

The Rev. Father Gelinas and the Rev. Marinus Willett have carefully attended to the religious wants of the inmates.

The officers and nurses are deserving of thanks for the prompt and energetic manner in which they have performed their duties.

I am again pleased to make special mention of the intelligent and effective manner in which Mr. P. A. Taggart, the steward of the Hospital, has fulfilled the requirements of his office.

The Medical Board of this Hospital is composed of the gentlemen who composed the Medical Board of the Randall's Island Hospital—E. A. Maxwell, Prest., L. Putzel, Secy., F. I. Williams, F. Heuel, Jr., D. C. Cocks, W. O. Moore, J. P. Munn.

I am indebted to these gentlemen for the generous and able manner in which they have assisted me in looking after the welfare of this Hospital.

Very Respectfully,

J. C. HOWARD,

Medical Superintendent.

TABLE A.

Census Report of Infants Hospital for the year 1879.

1879.	CHILDREN.						Total Children.	ADULT FEMALES.					WORK HOUSE HELP.					Total Children and Adults.	FARMED OUT CHILDREN.		
	MOTHERS.			ORPHANS.																	
	Boys.	Girls.	Total.	Boys.	Girls.	Total.		Males.	Females.	Native.	Foreign.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Native.	Foreign.	Total.		Boys.	Girls.	Total.
Remaining 1st January, 1879	63	33	96	46	47	93	189	..	79	22	57	79	23	38	17	44	61	329	35	30	65
Admitted during year	198	219	417	179	184	363	780	..	258	77	81	258	191	410	184	417	601	1639	10	16	26
Total	261	252	513	225	231	456	969	..	337	99	138	337	214	448	201	461	662	1968	45	46	91
Discharged	173	177	350	29	33	62	412	..	262	71	191	262	157	339	168	370	536	1212	8	2	10
Adopted	..	..	..	14	19	33	33	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	33	11	9	20
Eloped	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	1	2	2	..	..	..
Transferred	13	10	23	28	19	47	70	..	12	2	10	12	4	56	19	39	60	140	..	..	..
Died	29	26	55	126	116	242	297	..	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	298	5	8	13
Total	215	213	428	197	187	384	812	..	275	73	202	275	201	397	188	410	598	1685	24	19	43
Remaining 31st December, 1879	46	39	85	28	44	72	157	..	62	26	36	62	13	51	13	51	64	283	21	27	48

TABLE B.

Showing Admissions, Deaths, Discharges and Adoptions of Farmed-out Children.

MONTHS.	ADMISSIONS.			DEATHS.			DISCHARGES.			TRANSFERS.			ADOPTIONS.		
	Boys.	Girls.	Total.	Boys.	Girls.	Total.	Boys.	Girls.	Total.	Boys.	Girls.	Total.	Boys.	Girls.	Total.
January	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
February	1	2	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	2
March	2	1	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	2
April	1	2	3	1	2	3	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
May	4	6	10	1	1	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	3
June	..	..	..	..	3	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1
July	..	1	1	2	2	4	5	..	5	..	..	..	2	2	4
August	1	..	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1
September	1	.	1	..	.	..	1	..	1	..	..	.	2	1	3
October	..	1	1	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	1	1	2
November	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1
December	..	2	2	..	..	..	1	1	2	..	..	..	..	1	1
Totals	10	16	26	5	8	13	8	2	10	..	..	..	11	9	20

TABLE C.

Admissions, Deaths, Discharges, Transfers and Adoptions of Children for the year 1879.

MONTHS.	ADMISSIONS.							DEATHS.							DISCHARGES.							TRANSFERS TO OTHER INSTITUTIONS.							ADOPTIONS.			
	MOTHERS.			ORPHANS.			Monthly Total	MOTHERS.			ORPHANS.			Monthly Total	MOTHERS.			ORPHANS.			Monthly Total	MOTHERS.			ORPHANS.			Monthly Total	ORPHANS.			Monthly Total
	Boys.	Girls.	Total.	Boys.	Girls.	Total.		Boys.	Girls.	Total.	Boys.	Girls.	Total.		Boys.	Girls.	Total.	Boys.	Girls.	Total.		Boys.	Girls.	Total.	Boys.	Girls.	Total.		Boys.	Girls.	Total.	
January...	23	17	40	15	10	25	65	1	1	2	8	2	10	12	15	11	26	2	..	2	28	2	1	3	..	..	.	3	..	3	3	3
February..	15	19	34	14	7	21	55	..	2	2	6	2	8	10	14	11	25	1	..	1	26	1	1	2	1	2	3	5	1	2	3	3
March.....	19	19	38	21	13	34	72	2	2	4	12	8	20	24	18	23	41	..	4	4	45	..	..	..	5	..	5	5	..	2	2	2
April.....	20	9	29	10	13	23	52	4	1	5	8	3	11	16	16	23	39	3	4	7	46	..	..	..	1	2	3	3	2	3	5	5
May.....	17	16	33	17	18	35	68	6	1	7	13	18	31	38	16	9	25	4	4	8	33	..	..	..	6	4	10	10	..	1	1	1
June	18	25	43	13	17	30	73	2	3	5	9	5	14	19	17	20	37	4	2	6	43	..	3	3	2	..	2	5	1	1	2	2
July.....	20	23	43	21	22	43	86	6	5	11	16	24	40	51	19	23	42	..	5	5	47	3	..	3	1	1	2	5	1	1	2	2
August.....	21	20	41	22	11	33	74	6	4	10	18	15	33	43	11	8	19	1	3	4	23	3	1	4	1	1	2	6	2	1	3	3
September	17	17	34	13	18	31	65	..	1	1	11	5	16	17	16	11	27	8	3	11	38	1	2	3	1	6	7	10	2	..	2	2
October...	6	32	38	13	22	35	73	1	2	3	11	13	24	27	14	15	29	1	4	5	34	1	1	2	1	..	1	3	2	3	5	5
November	12	12	24	8	11	19	43	..	..	..	6	8	14	14	5	13	18	1	1	2	20	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	4	4
December..	10	10	20	12	22	34	54	1	4	5	8	13	21	26	12	10	22	4	3	7	29	2	1	3	9	3	12	15	1	..	1	1
Totals....	198	219	417	179	184	363	780	29	26	25	126	116	242	297	173	177	350	29	33	62	412	13	10	23	28	19	47	70	14	19	33	33

TABLE D.

Showing the Number of Infants Admitted during the year 1879, *and their Class and Condition.*

MONTHS.	CHILDREN WITH MOTHERS.													ORPHAN CHILDREN.													Total Children.
	WET NURSED.				BOTTLE FED.				WALKING.					WET NURSED.				BOTTLE FED.				WALKING.					
	Good.	Fair.	Poor.	Hopeless.	Good.	Fair.	Poor.	Hopeless.	Good.	Fair.	Poor.	Hopeless.	Total.	Good.	Fair.	Poor.	Hopeless.	Good.	Fair.	Poor.	Hopeless.	Good.	Fair.	Poor.	Hopeless.	Total.	
January	14	12	3	1	1	1	2	..	3	3	..	..	40	..	..	1	..	5	8	4	1	1	4	1	..	25	65
February	7	15	4	..	..	..	..	..	3	4	1	..	34	..	..	1	..	1	5	12	1	..	..	..	1	21	55
March	20	6	2	..	2	4	..	..	3	..	..	..	37	1	..	..	..	15	8	6	..	5	..	..	..	35	72
April	9	5	1	..	..	..	..	..	9	3	2	1	30	..	..	..	..	8	8	4	1	1	..	..	..	22	52
May	7	6	2	..	1	1	3	..	9	2	..	..	31	..	..	..	..	7	13	10	2	1	2	1	1	37	68
June	9	15	6	1	1	2	2	..	4	3	..	..	43	..	1	..	..	7	12	3	..	4	2	1	..	30	73
July	15	8	7	..	..	1	1	..	11	2	1	..	46	..	..	..	..	10	11	12	2	4	1	..	..	40	86
August	9	8	5	2	1	3	2	1	3	2	4	..	40	..	..	..	..	8	11	12	1	2	..	..	..	34	74
September	11	13	5	..	..	1	1	1	4	1	1	..	38	..	..	..	..	5	12	7	1	1	1	..	..	27	65
October	12	13	5	..	..	..	..	1	1	3	2	..	37	..	..	..	..	11	10	10	2	1	..	2	..	36	73
November	5	5	2	..	..	1	1	..	6	1	1	..	22	..	..	..	..	8	7	4	1	..	1	..	..	21	43
December	4	5	5	..	..	1	..	..	3	1	..	..	19	1	..	..	..	5	10	17	1	..	1	..	..	35	54
Total	122	111	47	4	6	15	12	3	59	25	12	1	417	2	1	2	..	90	115	101	13	20	12	5	2	363	780

TABLE E.

Showing the Age of the Children who died at Infants Hospital, and their Condition on day of Admission.

AGE.	CHILDREN WITH MOTHERS.													ORPHAN CHILDREN.													Total Children.
	WET NURSED.				BOTTLE FED.				WALKING.					WET NURSED.				BOTTLE FED.				WALKING.					
	Good.	Fair.	Poor.	Hopeless.	Good.	Fair.	Poor.	Hopeless.	Good.	Fair.	Poor.	Hopeless.	Total.	Good.	Fair.	Poor.	Hopeless.	Good.	Fair.	Poor.	Hopeless.	Good.	Fair.	Poor.	Hopeless.	Total.	
Less than 1 week.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	2	..	..	.	..	..	5	5
" " 2 "	..	..	..	.	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	3	2	1	..	..	..	..	7	8
" " 3 "	..	..	..	..	..	..	.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	4	2	2	..	..	..	..	13	13
" " 1 month.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	.	..	4	6	6	3	..	..	..	..	19	19
" " 2 "	1	1	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	10	17	17	2	..	..	..	..	46	50
" " 3 "	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	4	16	7	2	..	..	..	..	29	31
" " 4 "	..	1	2	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	5	6	8	2	.	..	..	..	21	26
" " 5 "	..	2	2	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	1	..	3	5	5	..	..	..	..	..	14	19
" " 6 "	1	..	..	1	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	6	9	6	1	..	..	..	..	22	26
" " 7 "	1	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	4	5	5	..	..	..	..	..	14	18
" " 8 "	2	1	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	1	3	..	..	..	..	..	4	8
" " 9 "	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	1	3	..	..	..	..	..	4	7
" " 10 "	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	2	2	2	..	..	..	..	..	7	9
" " 11 "	2	1	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	1	..	..	..	..	4	9
" " 1 year.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	1	..	..	..	..	..	4	4
" " 2 "	2	5	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	12	..	..	..	..	4	2	5	1	1	3	..	1	17	29
" " 3 "	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	3	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	4	4	1	1	13	16
Totals	11	17	10	2	..	4	4	..	2	1	3	..	54	..	1	1	..	54	83	74	15	5	7	1	2	243	297

TABLE F.

Showing Admissions, Discharges and Returns of Work House Help for 1879.

Months.	Admissions.			Discharges.			Returns.			Elopements.		
	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.
January	10	28	38	13	12	25	..	10	10	..	..	..
February	7	25	32	7	25	32	..	3	3	..	..	..
March	17	22	39	17	27	44	2	..	2	..	..	..
April	20	35	55	22	29	51	..	1	1	..	2	2
May	19	38	57	18	29	47	..	2	2	..	..	..
June	19	32	51	23	32	55	..	4	4	..	..	..
July	16	40	56	19	38	57	..	10	10	..	..	..
August	17	54	71	16	38	54	..	2	2	..	..	..
September	21	39	60	17	34	51	1	4	5	..	..	..
October	15	45	60	19	27	46	..	11	11	..	..	..
November	15	21	36	13	22	35	1	1	2	..	..	..
December	15	31	46	13	26	39	..	8	8	..	..	..
Totals	191	410	601	197	339	536	4	54	58	..	2	2

TABLE G.

Showing Location and Cubic capacity of each Ward, the Cubic feet of Air for each Bed and the Number of Deaths in each Ward.

Floor.	Ward Number.	Capacity in Cubic Feet.	Number of Beds.		Allowance in Cubic Feet.	Number of Deaths in each Ward.
			Adults.	Infants.		
First	3	21,978	16	20	610	7
	4	13,508	10	8	750	6
	6 & 7	22,792	16	26	543	21
Second	10	26,308	17	23	658	33
	11	16,182	10	19	558	40
	12	26,308	16	26	626	18
	13 & 14	26,936	16	26	641	50
Third	17	24,762	16	21	669	25
	18	15,181	10	17	562	30
	19	24,530	16	28	512	34
	20	13,295	8	10	554	33
	21	13,295	24	..	554	..
Total Number of Deaths						297

TABLE H.

Showing the Time in Infants Hospital of the Children who Died during year 1879.

Time in Hospital.	Children with Mothers.				Orphan Children.				Total Children.
	Wet Nursed.	Bottle Fed.	Walking.	Total.	Wet Nursed.	Bottle Fed.	Walking.	Total.	
Less than 1 week....	4	3	..	7	..	24	1	25	32
" 2 " ..	4	2	..	6	..	31	..	31	37
" 3 " ..	2	..	..	2	..	35	..	35	37
" 1 month...	1	1	..	2	..	38	1	39	41
" 2 " ..	11	1	1	13	..	54	..	54	67
" 3 " ..	4	..	..	4	1	18	2	21	25
" 4 " ..	5	..	2	7	..	10	2	12	19
" 5 " ..	1	..	..	1	.	8	..	8	9
" 6 " ..	6	1	..	7	..	2	3	5	12
" 7 " ..	2	..	2	4	..	5	..	5	9
" 8 " ..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	4	4
" 9 " ..	1	..	..	1	..	2	..	2	3
" 10 " ..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1
" 11 " ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
" 1 year ..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1
" 2 " ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
" 3 " ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total.....	41	8	5	55	1	14	9	242	297

TABLE I.

Nativities of Adults Admitted to Infants Hospital, Work House Help included.

Months.	United States.			England.			Ireland.			Scotland.			Germany.			Canada.			Other Nationalities.			Total.		
	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	ales.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.
January	4	20	24	..	..	..	5	30	35	.	1	1	1	5	6	..	..	..	..	1	1	10	57	67
February	3	13	16	..	1	1	2	31	33	..	1	1	..	3	3	..	..	..	2	..	2	7	49	56
March	7	10	17	1	2	3	6	31	37	..	4	4	..	..	..	1	..	1	2	1	3	17	48	65
April	5	15	20	2	2	4	10	30	40	..	..	..	2	2	4	..	1	1	1	..	1	20	50	70
May	9	19	28	2	4	6	6	34	40	..	1	1	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	19	58	77
June	7	17	24	1	1	2	6	39	45	..	3	3	1	2	3	1	..	1	3	..	3	19	62	81
July	5	18	23	2	1	3	6	43	49	..	1	1	2	2	4	..	..	..	1	2	3	16	67	83
August	7	27	34	1	..	1	7	47	54	..	1	1	1	1	2	..	..	..	1	2	3	17	78	95
September	11	15	26	2	2	4	10	33	43	..	1	1	..	4	4	..	1	1	..	2	2	23	58	81
October	9	19	28	1	1	2	2	38	40	2	1	3	1	4	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	15	63	78
November	5	11	16	..	1	1	7	20	27	..	..	..	1	1	2	..	..	..	1	2	3	14	35	49
December	6	4	10	..	1	1	7	35	42	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	1	1	..	2	2	14	43	57
Total	78	188	266	12	16	28	74	411	485	2	14	16	12	24	36	2	3	5	11	12	23	191	668	859

TABLE J.

Showing the Diseases of the Children that Died, with the number that Died of each Disease during year 1879.

Diseases.	Children with Mothers.				Orphan Children.				Total No. Children.
	Wet Nursed.	Bottle Fed.	Walking.	Total.	Wet Nursed.	Bottle Fed.	Walking.	Total.	
Adenutis	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	1
Bronchitis	3	..	..	3	..	2	1	3	6
do. "Capillary."	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1
Congenital Syphilis	2	1	..	3	..	11	..	11	14
Cropous, Laryngitis	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	1
Cyanche, Trochoatis	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1
Congestion, Brain	1	1	.	2	..	3	..	3	5
Diarrhœa	1	..	.	1	..	10	1	11	12
do. "Chronic."	1	..	..	1	..	1	..	1	2
Dentition, "Convulsions."	2	..	..	2	1	3	..	4	6
do. Oedema Glottis	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	1
Dysentary	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	1
Entero-Colitis	4	2	..	6	..	25	..	25	31
Gastritis	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	1
Hydrocephalus, Acute	..	1	..	1	..	1	..	1	2
do. Chronic	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	1
Inanition	3	4	..	7	..	116	..	116	123
Meningitis, Hasitur	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1
do. Convulsions	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	1
do. Dentition	1	..	.	1	..	..	..	..	1
do. Tubercular	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	3	3
do. Spinal	..	1	..	1	..	1	..	1	2
Marasmus	1	..	..	1	..	17	..	17	18
Mitral, Stenosis	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1
Pneumonia	8	..	..	8	..	7	..	7	15
do. Catarrhal	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	1
do. Double	1	..	..	1	..	.	2	2	3
do. Lobular	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	3	3
Phthisis	1	..	..	1	..	..	2	2	3
Rachitis	..	.	..	..	..	1	..	1	1
Rubeola	1	..	..	1	..	2	..	2	3
do. Tuberculosis	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	1
Scarletina	2	..	..	2	..	1	3	4	6
do. "Maligna."	1	..	2	3	..	..	..	..	3
Scleroris, Spinal	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	1
Tuberculosis, Gent	3	2	1	6	..	11	4	15	21
Total	38	12	5	55	2	225	15	242	297

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RANDALL'S ISLAND HOSPITALS.

JANUARY 1ST, 1880.

HON. TOWNSEND COX,
President Department of
Public Charities and Correction.

SIR.—I have the honor to submit herewith the following report of Randall's Island Hospital for the year ending December 31st, 1879.

Under the heading of Randall's Island Hospital are included the Children's Hospital, Adult Hospitals, Idiot Asylum, Branch New York City Asylum for Insane, and the Workhouse help.

The appended tables will show the statistics of each class of inmates, &c., for the year 1879.

Table A, No. 1, shows the number of children remaining in the Hospital December 31st, 1878, the number of admissions, discharges, transfers and deaths during the year, also the number of children remaining in the Hospital December 31st, 1879.

Table A, No. 2, shows the nativities of the children in the Hospital during the year.

The majority of the children received in this Hospital come from different charitable institutions in the city, through the Superintendent of Out-Door Poor, for treatment, and when cured he is notified, and orders their return to the Institutions from which they were received. Many suffering with an incurable disease remain permanently in the Hospital.

The average attendance at the school connected with this Hospital has been one hundred and fifty. The Principal, Miss Hibbard, makes a very favorable report on the progress these children have made in their studies.

IDIOT ASYLUM.

Table B, No. 1, shows the number of children remaining at the Idiot Asylum on December 31, 1878, the number of admissions, discharges and deaths during the year, and the number of children remaining in the Asylum, December 31, 1879.

Table B, No. 2, shows the nativities of the children in the Asylum during the year.

These children are also admitted through the Superintendent of Out-Door Poor. Upon their arrival at the Asylum they are classified as follows—teachable, unteachable and hopeless.

ADULT HOSPITAL.

Table C, No. 1, shows the number of patients remaining in the Hospital on December 31, 1878, the number of admissions, discharges and deaths during the year, also the number remaining December 31, 1879.

Table C, No. 2, shows the nativities of the patients in the Hospital during the year.

I am pleased to report that from the commendable action of your Honorable Board, authorizing the Examining Physician of Out-Door Poor to send patients to this Hospital, the proportion of acute cases, as compared with the incurable, has been considerably increased. Many of those patients are received from Charity Hospital, B. I., the majority of them suffering from incurable diseases.

BRANCH N. Y. CITY ASYLUM FOR INSANE.

Table D, No. 1, shows the number of patients remaining at the Asylum, December 31, 1878, the number of admissions, transfers and deaths during the year, also the number of patients remaining, December 31, 1879.

Table D, No. 2, shows the nativities of the insane patients in the Branch Asylum for the year.

I can only say of this Asylum, that it continues to be a home wherein the chronic sufferers who are its inmates are made as comfortable as the means will permit. Some of these patients are employed daily in working on the farm, an occupation resulting in their improved physical condition.

WORK-HOUSE HELP.

Table E, No. 1, shows the number of Work-house help remaining at this Institution on December 31st, 1878, the number of admissions, discharges and returned during the year, also the number remaining December 31st, 1879.

Table E, No. 2, shows the number of Work-house help of native and foreign birth.

The necessary work in and around the different buildings has all been performed by this class.

The discipline has been the same as last year, when a marked improvement was inaugurated, and I again take pleasure in reporting, as I did last year, that of 959 received during the year, whose terms of commitment ranged from ten days to two months, not a prisoner escaped.

Table F shows the diseases of those who died during the year.

Table G shows the balance sheet for the year.

Table H shows the daily, monthly and yearly cost of each, and all inmates during the year.

The buildings occupied by the idiot children, and formerly known as the Hospital for Idiots, hopeless idiot boys, hopeless idiot girls, large idiot boys, Branch Insane Asylum, have been renamed, and are now known as Pavilions A, B, C, D, E and F.

The buildings previously known as North and South Hospitals are numbered into wards from 1 to 10. Wards 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 are for boys. Wards 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10 are for girls.

The buildings formerly known as Branch Charity Hospital are also changed, and are now designated as Male and Female Adult Hospitals, and are numbered into wards. Wards 11, 12, 13 are for males. Wards 14, 15 and 16 are for females.

The buildings, with the exception of Pavilions A and B, have all been renovated and painted or kalsomined in the inside. The hallways of the girls' and boys' hospitals have also been renovated and painted, and are now in good condition. At the present time mechanics are at work painting the outside of the buildings, which, when completed, will be greatly improved in appearance.

In several buildings new water closets and troughs have been placed, adding greatly to the health and comfort of the patients. At the present time mechanics are busily employed in putting new tin roofs on the different buildings.

The supply of hose and fire extinguishers have been increased, also a large number of hydrants have been placed on the Island, the old ones have been thoroughly repaired, thereby giving greater security to life and property.

The old boiler which had been in use to supply steam for cooking and washing, having been found inadequate for the purpose, has been supplanted by two new boilers of sufficient capacity for these uses.

I would again respectfully renew the recommendation made in my last report, that the basement of the Branch Penitentiary be arranged so that the cooking for the convicts can be done there. At present it is done in the kitchen of this Institution, and, owing to the large number and different classes of inmates, it is almost impossible at times for us to prepare the different articles of food in the proper manner, with the small room we have and the number of cooking utensils on hand.

This change will give us ample room and add greatly to the discipline of the Island by preventing convicts from coming in contact with the inmates, which they must necessarily do in calling three times a day for their supplies.

The dietary table has been carefully carried out; the provisions and supplies received from the Storehouse were abundant and of good quality.

The several holidays have been suitably observed. Through the generosity of your Honorable Board, an abundant supply of poultry, fruits, cakes and candies were furnished the inmates.

The inmates of all the hospitals were treated to several excursions up the sound during the summer on the Department steamer, which added greatly to their health and enjoyment.

Through the kindness of Mr. P. T. Barnum the children visited his magnificent circus and menagerie.

We are pleased again to extend to Mrs. Gibbons and friends our thanks for the numerous toys, fruits and candies distributed among the children during the Christmas Holidays.

To the St. Vincent de Paul Society we again extend our thanks for the numerous candies, cakes and fruits given to the children on the several holidays.

The Rev. Father Gelinas, of the Catholic, and the Rev. Marinus Willett, of the Protestant persuasion, have faithfully ministered to the spiritual wants of the inmates.

I am pleased to report the interest, care and attention devoted by the matrons, Mrs. Mary J. Quinn and Miss Addie Mabie, the nurses and other employees at this Institution. Their duties have been deserving of all commendation.

The Medical Board of the Hospitals on this Island are composed of the following named Physicians and Surgeons :

Physicians, J. J. Williams, E. A. Maxwell and L. Putzel ; Surgeons, Franz Heuel, Jr., John Munn ; Ophthalmic Surgeons, David C. Cocks and William O. Moore.

To these gentlemen, who have been punctual in attendance and at all times ready to respond when called on to alleviate the sufferings of these patients, I am greatly indebted.

The House Staff are deserving of especial praise for the faithful and energetic manner in which they have discharged their duties.

The increase of their number, from four to six, has enabled them to give more attention and care than before to the cases in their charge, and to keep in better than usual form their records of the same.

In conclusion, I wish to express my grateful acknowledgments of the services rendered by the Steward, Mr. John Kerr, whose good sense, fidelity and executive ability have been apparent in all matters coming within his charge.

Very respectfully,

J. C. HOWARD,
Medical Superintendent.

TABLE A, No. 1.

Randall's Island Hospital.

1879.	Males.	Females.	Total.
Children remaining in Hospital December 31, 1878...	93	7	164
Admitted to Hospital from December 31, 1878, to December 31, 1879.....	102	87	189
	195	158	353
Discharged to Parents and Friends.....	85	74	159
	110	84	194
Transferred to other Institutions.....	1	..	1
	109	84	193
Eloped.....	..	..	..
	109	84	193
Died.....	4	7	11
	105	77	182

TABLE A, No. 2.

Nativity of Children Admitted in the year 1879.

United States.....	180	Brought forward.....	185
Ireland.....	2	Italy.....	2
England.....	3	France.....	2
Carried forward.....	185	Total.....	189

TABLE B, No. 1.

Idiot Asylum.

1879.	Males.	Females.	Total.
Children remaining in Asylum December 31, 1878.....	119	92	211
Admitted to Asylum from December 31, 1878, to December 31, 1879.....	45	23	68
	164	115	279
Discharged to Parents and Friends.....	4	11	15
	160	104	264
Transferred to other Institutions.....	15	15	30
	145	89	234
Eloped.....	1	..	1
	144	89	233
Died.....	9	6	15
Remaining in Asylum December 31, 1879.....	135	83	218

TABLE B, No. 2.

Nativity of Children Admitted to Asylum for the year 1879.

United States.....	59	Brought forward.....	64
Ireland.....	2	Poland.....	1
England.....	1	Unknown.....	3
Germany.....	2		
Carried forward.....	64	Total.....	68

TABLE C, No. 1.

Hospital Adults.

1879.	Males.	Females.	Total.
Patients remaining in Hospital December 31, 1878....	48	43	91
Admitted to Hospital from December 31, 1878, to December 31, 1879.....	194	164	358
	242	207	449
Discharged.....	165	163	328
	77	44	121
Died.....	14	14	28
Remaining in Hospital December 31, 1879.....	63	30	93

TABLE C, No. 2.

Nativity of persons admitted to Hospital for the year 1879.

United States	72	Brought forward	348
Ireland	213	Denmark	1
England	24	Austria	1
Germany	32	Scotland	2
France	4	Switzerland	1
Italy	1	Canada	1
Sweden	2	Nova Scotia	4
Carried forward	348	Total	358

TABLE D, No. 1.

Branch New York City Insane Asylum.

1879.	Males.	Females.	Total.
Patients remaining in Asylum December 31, 1878	120	..	120
Admitted to Asylum from December 31, 1878, to December, 31, 1879	13	..	13
	133	..	133
Transferred to other Institutions	12	..	12
	121	..	121
Died	3	..	3
Remaining December 31, 1879	118	..	118

TABLE D, No. 2.

Nativity of Inmates at Branch New York City Insane Asylum, Dec. 31, 1879.

United States	14	Carried forward	86
Ireland	32	Poland	1
England	5	Russia	1
France	3	Norway	1
Germany	29	Turkey	1
Italy	3	Unknown	28
Carried forward	86	Total	118

TABLE E, No. 1.

Work-house Help.

1879.	Males.	Females.	Total.
Work-house Help remaining December 31, 1878	16	58	74
Received from December 31, 1878, to December 31, 1879.	187	772	959
	203	830	1033
Discharged	176	666	842
	27	164	191
Returned to Work-house	7	95	102
Remaining December 31, 1879	20	69	89

TABLE E, No. 2.

Number of Native and Foreign Born.

Work-House Help.	Men.	Women.	Total.
Native born	133	218	351
Foreign born	54	554	608
	187	772	959

TABLE F.

Diseases of those who died during the year 1879.

Acute nephritis	1	Brought forward	21
Acute atrophy of liver	1	Entero colitis	2
Aneurism of aorta	2	General tuberculosis	3
Asthma	1	General anasarca	1
Bright's disease	3	Meningitis	3
Bronchitis	1	Paralysis	1
Cancrum oris	1	Pneumonia	6
Congestion of brain	1	Phthisis	11
Cancer of liver	1	Paraplegia	1
Convulsions	1	Peritonitis	1
Crompous pneumonia	1	Potts' disease	1
Congenital syphilis and epilepsy	1	Rachitis	1
Double morbus coxaxis	1	Senectus	2
Diarrhœa	2	Synovitis of knee-joint	1
Epilepsy	3	Whooping-cough	2
Carried forward	21	Total	57

TABLE G.

Balance Sheet for the year ending December 31, 1879.

	DR.	
Dec. 31,	To amount of inventory January 1, 1879	$17,630 81
"	" goods received from Storekeeper	52,877 63
"	" salaries	14,777 79
		$85,286 23
	CR.	
"	By amount of inventory December 31, 1879	$19,018 53
"	" balance net expenses	67,655 42
		$86,673 95

IDIOT SCHOOL.

I herewith transmit the Annual Report of this School for the year ending December 31st, 1 879.

The average number of pupils who daily attended school was 108.

I can scarcely give any new suggestions or make any remarks about the progress of this School, other than those which have appeared in former reports.

This Institution has made advances yearly which have been the result of experience, it requiring some years of experience and observation to know what particular method of teaching and training will suit these feeble minded children.

The mat shop for male and the sewing room for female pupils have been special features of this School for the past year. In the former numbers of mats have been made, and in the latter females have been taught to do a great deal in the sewing line.

Since my last report the following work has been done by some of the female pupils :

173 sheets, 11 sashes, 3 shirts, 20 shrouds, 75 bed ticks, 105 dresses, 15 skirts, 23 pillow-cases, 3 pair sleeves, 3 waists, and 1 basque have been made.

Mended—104 aprons.

Hemmed—71 spreads, 9 flounces, 1 table-cloth, 15 towels, and 12 napkins.

Miscellaneous—7 bed ticks (altered), 19 dresses (do.), (tucked) 4 petticoats.

The male pupils has furnished to your Department 342 mats, which were made in this School.

When I organized this School, all, or nearly all of these children, were thought to be unfit for any mental culture, but when we see the result of patience used in instructing those whom the Creator has not blessed with much intellect, it convinces us that perseverance and industry will accomplish almost everything. Not only have these children been taught to perform some of the most important domestic duties, but, as you well know, many of them can spell, read, write, cipher, draw and sing in a manner that will compare favorably with children of sound mind.

I have been pleased with the help rendered me by the assistant teachers during the past year.

Very respectfully,

MARY C. DUNPHY,

Superintendent.

HART'S ISLAND HOSPITAL.

JANUARY 1st, 1880.

HON. TOWNSEND COX,
President Department of
Public Charities and Correction.

SIR.—I have the honor to submit the following Report of Hart's Island Hospital under my Superintendence during the year 1879.

Number of persons remaining December 31st, 1878	299	
Admitted during the year 1879	891	
		1,190
Discharged, Cured	347	
" Improved	384	
" Unimproved	94	
Died	92	
		917
Remaining December 31st, 1879		273

The annexed five Statistical Tables show the results for the year, and subjoined is the per-capita statement, the daily and monthly cost of inmates.

It will be unnecessary to give a statement in detail of the amount and kind of labor accomplished, as that has already been done in the Quarterly Reports during the year. It will only be necessary to say that the work has been performed by the inmates exclusively. The only Work-house persons employed were females in the laundry.

The great amount of work done by inmates of an hospital where it is not expected to find much labor performed, can be explained by referring to Table D where a carefully classified list of diseases of those under treatment is shown, and where it will be seen that a large percentage of those admitted suffer from diseases of a chronic nature, and mild form, or that they are convalescent cases, and such are expected to contribute to the general good, everything being

utilized at this Institution. The utilization of material at hand of whatever kind being a step in the direction to which all institutions should attain, self-sustaining.

Since the last Report was made some important changes have taken place at this Hospital. In the early part of April the Male inmates were transferred to six buildings at the northern end of the Island, each building having a capacity for twenty-two beds, with about 850 cubic air space to each bed, the wards well lighted and in good repair, and the buildings in every way models of the pavilion plan in use for hospital purposes.

The Female inmates now occupy the pavilions vacated by the Males.

That all these buildings are in good sanitary condition the low rate of mortality will attest, being 92 in 1,040 or 1 in 11, and in the table of deaths E, only one cause was from disease of a zymotic character.

In this connection it may be mentioned that one cause of death was from Bright's Disease occurring in a female transferred from an Insane Asylum cured of her mental trouble, but who died six weeks after admission, and another cause was Potts' Disease of Spine of two years standing in a young colored girl transferred from some other institution, but who died four weeks after being received.

The Physicians attached to this hospital, together with their daily attendance to routine duties, have attended to the ailments of the inmates of Branch Work-house, seeing daily all those who reported sick, and having been called upon at all hours of the day and night to attend cases of emergency.

This Institution has also furnished all drugs and medicines required, the Druggist having dispensed on an average 125 prescriptions per month to Branch Work-house. He has also prepared all medicines required for Branch Lunatic Asylum.

The history of every patient admitted has been carefully kept in the Record Books.

Every request made for the benefit of the inmates has been promptly and fully supplied.

Rev. Father Michel and Rev. Marinus Willett have faithfully administered to the patients the spiritual consolation of their respective denominations.

Ladies of numerous charitable associations have visited the hospital, especially those of St. Vincent de Paul Society, and the Fruit and Flower Mission, cheering and contributing to the comfort of the patients.

I am indebted to Drs. A. B. Heath and J. N. McChesney for assistance in the care of the inmates.

Very Respectfully,

JAMES R. HEALY,

Resident Physician.

TABLE A.

General Statement.

1879.	White.		Colored.		Total.	Native.	Foreign.
	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.			
Remaining in Hospital January 1, 1879.	145	150	..	4	299	74	225
Admitted from January 1 to December 31, 1879.	526	507	3	4	1040	190	850
Total	671	657	3	8	1339	264	1075
Died from January 1 to December 31, 1879	43	47	..	2	92	14	78
Discharged from January 1 to December 31, 1879	493	474	3	4	974	170	804
Total	536	521	3	6	1066	184	882
Remaining in Hospital January 1, 1880	135	136	..	2	273	80	193

TABLE B.

Admissions, Discharges and Deaths for the year 1879.

Month.	Admissions.							Discharges.							Deaths.						
	White.		Colored.					White.		Colored.					White.		Colored.				
	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Native.	Foreign.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Native.	Foreign.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Native.	Foreign.
January	62	46	..	..	108	18	90	51	34	..	1	86	12	74	7	8	..	..	15	5	10
February	36	31	1	..	68	12	56	38	30	..	..	68	7	61	2	2	..	..	4	..	4
March	40	37	..	1	78	12	66	42	42	1	..	85	17	88	5	3	..	..	8	..	8
April	48	45	1	..	94	25	69	52	46	..	..	98	17	81	4	4	..	2	10	2	8
May	60	38	..	..	98	16	82	51	45	..	..	96	19	77	5	2	..	..	7	..	7
June	47	41	..	..	88	15	73	41	39	..	1	81	18	63	4	5	..	..	9	2	7
July	50	57	..	1	108	14	94	44	42	1	1	88	14	74	1	5	..	..	6	1	5
August	35	32	..	..	67	14	53	31	32	..	..	63	9	54	4	3	..	..	7	1	6
September	38	42	1	..	81	17	64	42	45	1	..	88	17	71	2	6	..	..	8	1	7
October	47	65	..	..	112	25	87	48	42	..	..	90	14	76	2	1	..	..	3	..	3
November	36	28	..	1	65	12	53	32	40	..	1	73	17	56	1	2	..	..	3	..	3
December	27	45	..	1	73	12	61	21	37	..	..	58	9	49	6	6	..	..	12	2	10
Total	526	507	3	4	1040	92	848	493	474	3	4	974	170	804	43	47	..	2	92	14	78

TABLE C.

Nativities of those admitted during the year 1879.

Ireland	622	Brought forward	1016
United States	191	Italy	2
Germany	108	Spain	1
England	50	Russia	1
Scotland	23	Poland	2
Canada	6	Austria	3
East Indies	2	Bohemia	3
West Indies	1	Sweden	2
Nova Scotia	4	Norway	3
France	8	Denmark	2
Belgium	1	Switzerland	5
Carried forward	1016	Total	1040

TABLE D.

Classification and form of Disease of those under treatment, Hart's Island Hospital, 1879.

DISEASES.	DISCHARGED.						REMAINING.	
	Cured.		Im-proved.		Unim-proved.			
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
General.								
Alcoholism	26	11	3	2	..	..	4	1
Anæmia	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	1
Carcinoma of Axilla	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..
Debility	11	1	12	3	..	1	6	1
Intermittent Fever	3	1	1	1	..	..	3	..
Lumbago	5	..	3	..	..	..	1	..
Malaria	5	1	..	5	..	..	3	..
Pleurodynia	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Rheumatism	91	19	87	51	2	3	26	22
Rheumatic Gout	..	..	1	1	..	..	2	1
do. Deformity	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Senectus	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	1
Syphilis	4	..	4	18	..	1	1	12
Scurvy	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Typhoid Fever	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Chorea	..	..	..	..	..	..		
Nervous System.							1	..
Cephalalgia	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Epilepsy	..	..	1	..	..	3	..	..
Hypochondriasis	..	..	..	..	4	..	3	1
Hysteria	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..
Hemiplegia	..	..	.	2	4	3	6	10
Insanity	..	..	..	1	..	2	1	..
Locomotor Ataxia	..	..	1	..	2	..	3	..
Myelitis	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1
Muscular Atrophy, progressive	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Neuralgia	2	..	..	2	..	..	..	1
Paralysis	..	..	1	..	2	..	4	..
Paraplegia	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	3
Paresis, Senile	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Carried forward	149	35	115	92	16	16	68	64

TABLE D—*continued.*

Classification and form of Disease of those under treatment, Hart's Island Hospital, 1879.

DISEASES.	DISCHARGED.						REMAINING.	
	Cured.		Improved.		Unimproved.			
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
Brought forward	149	35	115	92	16	16	68	64
Circulatory System.								
Aneurism	..	..	..	1	2	..	..	1
Heart Disease, vale	..	..	2	6	3	2	2	1
Varicose Veins	1	1	1	5	..	..	..	1
Absorbent System.								
Adenitis	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..
Bubo	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	..
Chancroid	2	..	.	1	..	..	..	..
Respiratory System.								
Asthma	..	..	2	1	2	..	1	1
Bronchitis	16	9	13	22	4	..	6	8
Catarrh	1	..	3	1	..	..	..	..
Emphysema	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	1
Laryngitis	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Pneumonia	4	..	..	..	..	..	1	4
Pleuritis	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Phthisis	..	..	20	9	16	7	13	5
Digestive System.								
Abdominal Tumor	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..
Constipation	3	..	1	2	..	..	..	..
Cirrhosis, liver	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..
Dyspepsia	..	2	1	3	..	..	..	..
Diarrhœa	2	1	..	2	1	..	3	1
Dysentery	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Fistula in Ano	1	..	..	2	..	..	.	1
Gastrites, Chr	1	..	2	1	..	..	1	..
Hernia, Femoral	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1
do. Umbilical	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..
Hemorrhoids	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..
Stricture, Rectum	..	..	..	1	..	1	1	1
Ulcerated do.	..	.	..	2	..	..	..	..
Urinary System.								
Ascites	..	..	..	1	..	..	2	..
Brights'	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..
Cystites	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..
Incontinence of Urine	1	..	..	..	..	1	1	..
Nephrites	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stricture of Urethra	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Female—Generative System.								
Amenorrhœa	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..
Abortion	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..
Flexion of Uterus	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..
Leucorrhœa	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..
Menorrhagea	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..
Ovarian Tumor	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..
Prolapsus Uteri	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	2
Peri-Metritis	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..
Rupture, Perinæum	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..
Uterine	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..
Male—Generative System.								
Hydrocele	2	.	1	..	..	..	..	..
Orchites	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Cutaneous System.								
Anthrax	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Eczema	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Erysipelas	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Psoreasis	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Cellular System.								
Abscess	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Cellulitis of Head and Arm	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..
Carried forward	199	52	165	171	34	33	102	95

TABLE D—*continued.*

Classification and form of Disease of those under treatment, Hart's Island Hospital, 1879.

DISEASE.	DISCHARGED.						REMAINING.	
	Cured.		Im-proved.		Un-improved.			
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
Brought forward	199	52	165	171	34	33	102	95
Cellular System.								
Carbuncle	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Peri-Uterine Cellulitis	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Organs of Locomotion.								
Ankle, Deformity	..	..	..	2	..	..	1	..
Anchylosis	..	..	1	1	..	..		..
Abscess of Knee	1	..	..	.	..	..	1	..
Curvature of Spine	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	1
Hip Disease	..	..	1	1	4	..	..	1
Potts' do	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Talipsis E. Varus	..	..	..	..	..	..	14	1
Ulcer of Leg	38	15	10	16	2	1	..	13
Female Breast.								
Galactorrhœa	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	2
Human Parasites.								
Pediculus Corporis	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Poisons.								
Mercurial	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..
Lead Poisoning	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..
Injuries.								
Ankle	4	1	1	1	..	..	..	2
Colles, Fractures	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..
Contused Wounds	2	4	..	1	..	..	..	..
Dislocation of Thumb	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	.
Incised Wounds	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Fracture of Ankle	..	..	..	2	..	2	..	..
" Clavicle	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..
" Fibula	2	..	..	1	..	..	.	..
" Leg	1	..	..	1	1	..	..	..
" Rib	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	.
" Tibia and Fibula	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..
" Humerus	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..
" Femur	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	2
Necrosis of Occipital Bone	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..
" Tibia	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..
" Femur	..	..	..	..	..	1	.	..
" Tarsus	..	..	..	..	..	.	1	..
Sprain of Knee	..	.	..	..	..	..	1	..
" Wrist	1	.	..	..	..	..	..	..
Scalp Wound	..	..	1	..	..	..	2	..
Old Dislocation	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Old Fracture—Potts'	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..
Ear.								
Ottorhœa	..	..	1	..	.	..	..	..
Eye.								
Conjunctivitis	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Choroiditis	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Cataracts	..	..	1	..	1	..	1	..
Opacity of Cornea	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..
Ulcerated Cornea	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..
Staphyloma-posterior	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..
Trachoma	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..
Trichiosis	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..
Malingerer	6	11	..	..	..	..	..	..
Totals	261	86	186	198	54	40	135	118

Total Discharged 825
Total Remaining 253

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Net Expenses.	
	c.
1,988	08
1,984	51
1,924	67
1,708	15
1,685	65
1,563	66
1,796	41
1,571	49
1,893	49
1,847	75
2,138	67
2,672	42
2,774	95
1,897	91

TABLE E.

Detailed Statement of Deaths during the year 1879.

MONTHS.	Apoplexy.	Cerebral Softening.	Hemiplegia.	Paraplegia.	Paralysis, Agitans.	Paralysis, General.	Melancholia.	Asthenia.	Carcinoma, Liver.	Carcinoma, Stomach	Carcinoma, Uterus.	Bronchitis, Chr.	Phthisis.	Tuberculosis.	Pneumonia.	Valve, Heart disease.	Gastero-Enteritis.	Diarrhœa.	Dysentery.	Ulcer of Stomach.	Bright's Disease.	Rheumatism, Chr.	Debility, General.	Senectus.	Syphilis.	Pyæmia.	Totals.
January	..	..	2	1	..	1	1	..	1	1	..	..	6	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	15
February	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4
March	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	1	1	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	8
April	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	1	..	2	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	10
May	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	7
June	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	1	1	2	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	9
July	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	2	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	6
August	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	3	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	7
September	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	1	..	1	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	8
October	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
November	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	3
December	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	1	..	12
Totals	1	1	5	3	1	1	1	3	1	1	2	2	33	4	4	8	1	4	1	1	7	1	2	2	1	1	92

NEW YORK CITY LUNATIC ASYLUM.

BLACKWELL'S ISLAND, DECEMBER 31, 1879.

HON. TOWNSEND COX,

President Board of Commissioners of
Public Charities and Correction.

DEAR SIR.—On the 20th of last month, (November), I assumed charge of the above-named Institution, under resolution of your Board abolishing the office of Medical Superintendent, relieving the then incumbent, Dr. William W. Strew, from duty and temporarily assigning me to the charge of the Asylum in addition to my duties at Ward's Island.

Such temporary charge continuing until the close of the year, it devolves upon me to forward to your Honorable Board statistical tables for the year, and they accompany this communication.

As they represent but six weeks of my own superintendency and are mainly the record of that of my predecessor, I have not thought it well to depart from the forms preferred by him, and I submit the tables according to those forms. For the same reason I refrain from comment upon them and the deductions indicated by them.

Thanking your Board for the evidence of your confidence afforded by the extension of my duties in the Department,

I remain, very respectfully,

A. E. MACDONALD, M. D.,
Temporarily in charge.

TABLE I.

Admissions, Discharges and Deaths during the year 1879.

	Males.	Females.	Total.
Number of patients remaining January 1st, 1879	9	1225	1234
Admitted during the year	..	423	423
" from Branch Asylum	..	46	46
Total under treatment	9	1694	1703
Discharged, recovered	..	143	143
" improved	4	53	57
" unimproved	5	35	40
" improper subjects	..	2	2
Died	..	89	89
Transferred to Branch Asylum, H. I	..	86	86
" " " " W. I.	..	42	42
Total	9	450	459
Number of patients remaining January 1st, 1880	..	1244	1244

TABLE II.

General Statement.

	Males.	Females.	Total.
Nnmber of patients January 1st, 1847	160	233	383
Admitted to December 31st, 1879	5258	10151	15409
Total	5418	10374	15792
Discharged	3972	6383	10355
Died	1446	2386	3832
Transferred to Branch Hospital, H. I.	..	169	169
" " " " W. I.	..	192	192
Total	5418	9130	14548
Remaining in Asylum December 31st, 1879	..	1244	1244

TABLE III.

Ages of Patients at the Time of Admission.

	During 1879.	Since 1847, inclusive.		
	Females.	Males.	Females.	Total.
Under 20 years	22	289	619	908
Between 20 and 30 years	109	1661	3368	5029
" 30 " 40 "	138	1661	3080	4741
" 40 " 50 "	70	971	1730	2701
" 50 " 60 "	48	423	742	1165
" 60 " 70 "	22	173	325	498
" 70 " 80 "	14	27	130	157
" 80 " 90 "	....	1	27	28
" 90 " 100 "	....	....	6	6
Unknown	....	52	78	130
Total	423	5258	10105	15363

TABLE IV.

Nativity of Patients Admitted.

During the Year 1879.		Since 1847, inclusive.	During the Year 1879.		Since 1847, inclusive.
Nativity.	Females.	Males and Females.	Nativity.	Females	Males and Females.
United States	102	3348	Brought forward	418	15265
Ireland	180	7253	Russia	....	16
Germany	95	2956	Isle of Malta	....	2
England	14	705	China	....	4
Canada	5	86	Portugal	....	10
Other British Provinces	....	55	Bohemia	1	7
Scotland	6	242	Turkey	....	3
France	5	198	Chili	....	1
Sweden	4	49	East Indies	....	6
Norway	1	23	Mexico	....	2
Denmark	1	24	Panama	.	1
Holland	....	23	Buenos Ayres	....	1
Belgium	....	15	Africa	....	2
Spain	....	22	Columbia	....	1
Italy	4	42	At Sea	....	3
Switzerland	....	68	Unknown	4	39
Austria	1	31	South America	....	2
Wales	....	29	Australia	....	1
Poland	....	51	Tahiti	....	1
Hungary	....	11	Hayti	....	1
West Indies	....	34			
Carried forward	418	15265	Total	423	15363

TABLE V.

Occupation of Patients Admitted in the year 1879.

Agent's daughter	1	Brought forward	344
Army Officer's daughter	1	Merchant's daughter	1
Bookkeeper's wife	1	No occupation.	2
Bookfolders	2	Paper folder	1
Brass Moulder's daughter	1	Pedlers	2
Carpenter's daughter	1	Peddler's daughter	1
Chair Maker	1	Porter's "	1
Clerk's wife	1	Rabbi's wife	1
Cooks	2	Seamstresses	18
Contractor's daughter	1	Segar makers	1
Domestics	182	" " daughter	1
Druggist's wife	1	Segar-box maker's wife	1
Dressmakers	8	School teachers	3
Factory girls	1	" " daughter	1
Farmers' daughters	2	Shade gilder	1
Fur Sewer	1	Shop girls	3
Glass Cutter's daughter	1	Slipper maker	1
Housekeepers	124	Stewardess	1
Junk dealers	2	Tailoresses	6
Laundresses	4	Tailor's wife	1
Lace workers	1	Tobacco stripper	1
Locksmith's wife	1	Unknown	26
Mechanic's wife	1	Varnish maker's daughter	1
Milliner	1	Weaver's daughter	1
Midwife	1	Weavers	2
Merchant's wife	1	Wheelwright s daughter	1
Carried forward	344	Total	423

TABLE VI.

Civil Condition of Patients Admitted.

During the Year 1879.		Since 1847, Inclusive.		
Civil Condition.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Total.
Married	183	2192	4447	6639
Single	162	2735	4097	6832
Widowed	75	187	1352	1539
Divorced	....	....	2	2
Unknown	3	144	267	351
Total	423	5258	10105	15363

TABLE VII.

Number of Attacks of Patients admitted during 1879.

	Females.		Females.
First attack	164	Brought forward	252
Second "	47	Eighth attack	1
Third "	22	Ninth "	1
Fourth "	13	Thirteenth "	1
Fifth "	3	Several	13
Sixth "	2	Unknown	155
Seventh "	1		
Carried forward	252	Total	423

TABLE VIII.

Number of Admissions of Patients admitted during the year 1879.

	Females.		Females.
First admission	317	Brought forward	415
Second "	61	Eighth admission	0
Third "	22	Ninth "	1
Fourth "	9	Tenth "	1
Fifth "	3	Eleventh "	1
Sixth "	1	Thirteenth "	1
Seventh "	2	Unknown	4
Carried forward	415	Total	423

TABLE IX.

Duration of attack at the time of admission of Patients admitted during the year 1879.

	Females.		Females.
Less than one week	4	Brought forward	173
" " month	58	From six to seven years	4
From one month to two months	23	" seven to eight years	1
" two months to three months	15	" eight to nine years	2
" three months to four months	13	" nine to ten years	2
" four months to five months	6	" ten to fifteen years	2
" five months to six months	6	Fifteen years	3
" six months to one year	18	Sixteen years	1
" one year to two years	6	Seventeen years	2
" two years to three years	8	Twenty-two years	1
" three years to four years	8	Lifetime	1
" four years to five years	4	Unknown	232
" five years to six years	4		
Carried forward	173	Total	423

TABLE X.

Term of Residence in the United States of Patients admitted during the year 1879.

From one to two years	1	Brought forward	235
" four to five years	2	From thirty to forty	29
" five to ten years	55	" forty to fifty	11
" ten to twenty	101	Lifetime	102
" twenty to thirty	76	Unknown	46
Carried forward	235	Total	423

TABLE XI.

Profession of Religion of Patients Admitted.

During the year 1879.	Females.	Since 1847, inclusive. Males and Females.	During the year 1879.	Females.	Since 1847, inclusive. Males and Females.
Catholic	238	8374	Brought forward	383	14820
Protestant	121	5835	Mohammedan	...	1
Hebrew	24	607	Unknown	35	516
Heathen	. .	4	None	5	26
Carried forward	383	14820	Total	423	15363

TABLE XII.

Education of Patients Admitted.

	Females.
Good	52
Fair	75
Reading and writing	102
None	76
Reading only	43
Unknown	75
Total	423

TABLE XIII.

Color of Eyes of Patients Admitted

	Females.
Brown	123
Blue	204
Gray	56
Black	20
Hazel	20
Total	423

TABLE XIV.

Physical Condition of Patients.

	Females.
Good	227
Fair	126
Poor	70
Total	423

TABLE XV.

Habits of Patients Admitted.

Temperate	271
Intemperate	89
Unknown	63
Total	423

TABLE XVI.

Color of Hair of Patients Admitted during 1879.

	Females.		Females.
Brown	170	Brought forward	271
Dark brown	38	Black	73
Light brown	35	Gray	63
Auburn	5	Light	12
Brown and gray	18	Red	4
Dark and gray	5		
Carried forward	271	Total	423

TABLE XVII.

Admissions, Discharges and Deaths for each Month during the year 1879.

Months.	Admissions.	Discharges.	Deaths.
	Females.	Females.	Females.
January	28	7	6
February	29	13	5
March	32	27	6
April	39	18	8
May	38	25	11
June	40	15	11
July	31	21	5
August	47	15	6
September	34	15	6
October	44	24	5
November	24	Males 13	8
December	37	9 30	12
Total	423	242	89

TABLE XVIII.

Admissions, Discharges and Deaths since the year 1847, *for each month.*

Months.	Admissions.			Discharges.			Deaths.		
	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males	Females.	Total.
January	354	779	1133	415	335	750	111	152	263
February	333	687	1020	258	392	650	103	138	241
March	420	821	1241	286	459	745	111	172	283
April	433	919	1352	252	484	736	103	204	307
May	566	1089	1655	323	595	918	100	213	313
June	557	1013	1570	405	602	1007	95	199	294
July	471	941	1412	297	615	912	165	301	466
August	470	907	1377	314	507	821	162	338	500
September	485	757	1242	307	593	900	118	186	304
October	414	782	1196	362	624	986	133	181	314
November	373	690	1063	263	550	813	135	152	287
December	382	720	1102	*490	627	1117	110	150	260
Total	5258	10105	15363	3972	6383	10355	1446	2386	3832

*In December 9 males who had been employed about the Institution a number of years were discharged.

TABLE XIX.

Admissions, Discharges and Deaths for each year since 1847.

Year.	Admissions.			Discharges.			Deaths.		
	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.
1847	201	195	396	133	129	262	79	74	153
1848	246	245	491	165	137	302	54	62	116
1849	229	230	459	145	138	282	85	127	212
1850	195	196	391	138	113	251	43	34	77
1851	216	225	441	146	162	308	37	43	80
1852	241	254	495	178	177	355	70	60	130
1853	226	261	487	164	193	357	56	59	115
1854	224	262	486	131	152	283	80	110	190
1855	163	208	371	113	140	253	37	43	100
1856	149	217	366	103	173	276	32	34	66
1857	130	196	326	94	127	221	37	38	75
1858	129	226	355	81	154	235	30	62	92
1859	166	223	389	107	140	247	41	45	86
1860	161	240	401	91	149	240	56	62	118
1861	149	239	388	92	124	216	54	67	121
1862	133	209	342	104	177	281	52	47	99
1863	123	219	342	75	148	223	68	49	117
1864	149	217	366	91	176	267	59	52	111
1865	208	317	525	180	241	421	66	61	127
1866	247	347	594	147	229	376	64	125	189
1867	305	369	674	176	226	402	59	63	122
1868	319	349	668	205	205	410	68	67	135
1869	298	382	680	178	234	412	59	63	122
1870	297	411	708	196	257	453	59	73	132
1871	342	376	718	383	237	620	75	96	171
1872	11	414	425	296	219	515	4	92	96
1873	1	465	466	32	293	325	2	108	110
1874	....	445	445	1	263	264	....	93	93
1875	....	412	412	17	229	246	....	98	98
1876		478	478	....	255	255	....	97	97
1877	....	425	425	1	318	319	....	98	98
1878	....	430	430	....	235	235	....	95	95
1879	....	423	423	9	233	242	....	89	89
Total	5258	10105	15363	3972	6383	10355	1446	2386	3832

TABLE XX.

Form of Insanity of Patients Discharged.

During the Year 1879.	Females.				Since 1847, inclusive.			
	Recovered.	Improved.	Unimproved.	Total.	Recovered.	Improved.	Unimproved.	Total.
Mania	62	24	7	93	3010	842	392	4244
" partial	..	1	2	3	1112	638	198	1948
" puerperal	5	..	1	6	288	39	19	346
" recurrent	9	1	1	11	186	33	9	228
" chronic	..	5	7	12	8	101	488	597
" epileptic	..	1	1	2	42	76	43	161
" alcoholic	13	..	..	13	444	14	2	460
" acute	5	1	..	6	34	8	10	52
" sub-acute	..	.	..	..	1	..	..	1
" acute suicidal	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1
" hysterical	1	..	..	1	8	..	..	8
" of lactation	4	..	..	4	8	..	1	9
" of gestation	1	..	..	1	3	..	..	3
" religious	..	2	..	2	..	3	..	3
Dementia	3	4	2	9	120	295	288	703
" epileptic	1	..	1	2	5	5	69	79
" senile	..	..	3	3	1	2	38	41
" primary	..	..	..	..	41	19	6	66
" acute primary	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1
" alcoholic	..	..	..	..	15	2	1	18
" paralytic	1	..	..	1	3	..	2	5
" acute	..	..	..	..	2	2	..	4
" puerperal	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	3
Melancholia	31	9	4	44	491	291	168	950
" puerperal	4	..	..	4	20	6	3	29
" of lactation	..	..	..	.	2	..	..	2
" acute	3	2	..	5	10	2	1	13
" alcoholic	..	..	..	..	7	..	..	7
" epileptic	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1
" chronic	..	2	3	5	..	2	3	5
" suicidal	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1
Imbecility	..	..	3	3	9	2	32	43
Mania, moral	..	..	..	..	4	10	2	16
" suicidal	..	..	..	..	8	1	..	9
" homicidal	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	2
" idiotic	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	2
Dipsomania	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	2
Typhomania	..	..	..	..	3	2	..	5
Nymphomania	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1
Erotomania	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1
Hypochondriasis	..	.	..	..	..	..	2	2
Paresis, general	..	..	1	1	1	5	59	65
Idiocy	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	6
Epilepsia	.	..	..	..	..	..	5	5
Improper subjects	..	2	2	2	..	..	187	187
Febrile delirium	..	..	..	..	9	..	2	11
Total	143	52	38	233	5902	2404	2040	10346

Males.

Mania, chronic.. ..... 3 4—7
Melancholia, chronic..... 1 1—2

Total discharges for the year 1879, males and females..... 242

TABLE XXI.

Causes of Death.

Mania—Acuta, Asthenia	4
" " Congestio, Cerebri	2
" " Glioma Pons Varolii	1
" " Meningitis Cerebri, acuta	1
" " " " chronica	1
" " Morbus Brightii, Œdema et Gangræna Pulmonis	1
" " Morbus Brightii	1
" " Pachymeningitis Hæmorrhagica	1
" " Pneumonia Bilateralis	1
" " Tumor Cerebri	1
" Alcoholism, Tumor Cerebri	1
" Chronica, Apoplexia Serosa	1
" " Asthenia	2
" " Carcinoma Uteri et Cordis, Embolus Arteriæ post Cerebri	1
" " Degeneratio Adiposa Cordis	1
" " DegeneratioAdiposa Cordis, DiruptioAuriculi Sinistri	1
" " Enterocolitis	1
" " Morbus Brightii	2
" " Œdema Pulmonalis	1
" " Phthisis Pulmonalis	6
" " Pyo-pneumo-thorax	1
" " Pneumonia	2
" " Tuberculosis, Hæmoptysis	1
" Epileptica, Congestio Cerebri, Acuta Cum Effusione	1
" Epileptica, Veneficium ex Arsenico	1
" Epileptica, Status Epilepticus, Apoplexia Hæmorrhagia	1
" Puerperalis, Congestio Cerebri	1
" " Colitis, ex Strictura	1
" " Phthisis Pulmonalis	1
Melancholia, Acuta—Congestio Cerebri	1
" " Phthisis Pulmonalis	2
" " Meningitis Chronica, Œdema Pulmonale	1
" " Morbus Brightii	1
" " Tuberculosis Generalis	1
Carried forward	47
Brought forward	47
Melancholia—Chronica, Asthenia	3
" " Abscessus Pulmonis, Pneumohydro thorax	1
" " Cystis Serosa Cerebelli	1
" " Morbus Brightii, Œdema Pulmonale	2
" " Phthisis Pulmonalis	2
" " Pneumonia	3
" " Status Epilepticus	1
" " Ex Syphilitica	1
" Puerperalis, Phthisis Pulmonalis	1
Nymphomania	1
Paresis—Generalis	2
" " Pneumonia	1
Imbecility—Pneumonia, Œdema Pulmonale	1
Dementia—Apoplexia Cerebri Hæmorrhagia	1
" Apoplexia Serosa Insufficientia Mitralis	1
" Apnœa, Ex Impastio holi Cornis	1
" Asthenia	1
" Cerebrum Fluidum Albens	2
" Cholæmia	1
" Morbus Brightii	1
" " " Apoplexia Cerebri, Hæmorrhagia	2
" " " Œdema Pulmonale	1
" Pneumonia Hypostatica	1
" " " Gangræna Pulmonis	1
" Tumor, Cerebri	1
" Epileptica, Morbus Brightii, Apoplexia, Hæmorrhagia	1
" Epileptica, Œdema Cerebri, Hæmorrhagia Pulmonis	1
" Senilis, Apoplexia Serosa	1
" " Bronchitis	1
" " Phthisis Pulmonalis	1
" " Senectus	3
Total	98

TABLE XXII.

Term of Residence of Patients Discharged.

	During Year 1879.				Since 1847, Inclusive.			
	Recovered.	Improved.	Unimproved.	Total.	Recovered.	Improved.	Unimproved.	Total.
than 3 months	59	8	15	82	2668	822	846	4336
m 3 to 6 "	33	11	9	53	1455	520	312	2287
6 to 12 "	34	14	4	53	1084	422	243	1749
1 year to 3 years	15	12	6	33	550	394	266	1210
3 " to 6 "	1	8	1	10	93	156	186	435
6 " to 12 "	..	1	..	1	47	84	128	259
12 " to 18 "	1	2	..	3	5	10	56	71
18 " to 25 "	..	1	2	3	..	1	2	3
25 " to 40 "	..	2	3	5	..	2	3	5
Total	143	59	40	242	5902	2411	2042	10,355

MATRON'S REPORT

Of Clothing and Bedding made at the New York City Lunatic Asylum, during the year 1879.

Dresses	2,200	Shrouds	150
Petticoats	1,000	Men's Shirts	48
Chemises	1,800	*Bedding.*	
" Canton	1,000	Sheets	1,900
" Red Flannel	100	Pillow Cases	1,200
Drawers, Canton	800	" Ticks	300
" Red Flannel	100	Bedtick	600
Night Dresses	50	Burlaps, Comfortables	320
Stockings, pairs	1,951	Roller Towels	250
Hoods	800	Hand Towels	50

N. Y. CITY ASYLUM FOR THE INSANE.

N. Y. City Asylum for the Insane, January 1, 1880.

Hon. Townsend Cox,

President Board of Commissioners of
Public Charities and Correction.

Dear Sir.—I have the honor to submit to you herewith the customary report as to the progress of the above-named Institution for the year 1879.

The usual accompanying tables will show at a glance the main details of the year's history.

From Table A it will be seen that a total of 1,382 patients has been under treatment in the Asylum during the year, and that the number remaining at its close is greater by 107 than that at its commencement, the admissions being by just that number greater than the sum of the discharges and deaths. As no additions to the accommodations for the insane have been made during the year, and consequently no patients have been admitted elsewhere, this number (107) represents the actual increase in the number of the insane coming under the care of your department. As such, it is somewhat less than the average rate of increase for preceding years.

Tables B, C and D show respectively the ages, civil condition and nativity of the patients who were discharged or who died during the year, and their indications are similar to those of the corresponding tables published in former years.

The same may be said of Tables E and F, in which account is taken of the patients' religious belief and the degree of education possessed by them.

Table G repeats the evidence of former statistics as to the frequency with which the history of excessive indulgence in intoxicants is furnished by the patients who are cared for in this Asylum.

Table H summarizes the former occupations of the patients, and is not of special importance.

Table I is important, as furnishing additional evidence of the influence of inherited tendency in determining the occurrence of insanity.

Table K shows the relative condition in which the patients discharged were considered to be at the time of their leaving the Institution. Fifty-three were regarded as recovered, that number being considerably in excess of the preceding year, and about 14 per cent. of the number of admissions. Of the five cases rated as "not insane," one was a patient suffering from alcoholism, while the others were convicts who feigned insanity to secure their transfer from the Penitentiary or Work-house, and who were returned as soon as their imposture was detected. Of the patients discharged "improved," several were on the fair road to recovery, while others of this class, as well as those rated as "unimproved," were removed to other institutions. The number of these removals has been much increased during the past year, and is made up in part of those who were, upon inquiry, found to be properly chargeable to other counties or States, and in part of those whose relatives were found to be sufficiently well-to-do to pay for their support in other Asylums, and so to relieve this Department of the necessity of providing for them as paupers. In effecting these transfers, I owe much to the co-operation of the Superintendent of Out-Door Poor, Mr. Blake, and the proportionate decrease in the number of admissions during the year is doubtless also in some measure due to the vigilance of the same official in examining the claims of those in whose behalf application for admission was made, and in compelling provision elsewhere for those whom it proved to be the duty of other communities or individuals to support.

Table L gives the immediate causes of the deaths occurring during the year, as well as the forms of insanity from which those who died had suffered. The per centage of deaths to the whole number treated is slightly in excess of last year, an unusual number of patients having been sent to us in a dying condition, and surviving their arrival but a short period. I am happy to be able to report our entire freedom for the year from any deaths due, either directly or indirectly, to accident or violence. There has been no suicide, and it is now indeed nearly three years since one has occurred in the Institution.

Table M concludes the series, and shows the amount of money expended by your Board for the support of this Asylum during the year. It will be seen that the entire cost of providing food, clothing, medical stores, fuel, gas and other necessaries, of keeping the buildings in repair and of remunerating officers and employees has been at the rate of but thirty cents a day for each patient. That everything that should be done for the comfort and care of the patients is accomplished with this meagre allowance cannot be claimed. All that is claimed is that the most possible is made of it, and that the condition and progress of the Institution and its inmates are creditable under existing and adverse circumstances.

The Asylum has profited during the latter part of the year from the services of a Consulting Board of Physicians and Surgeons for the Asylums of the Department appointed by your Board in October. Although the benefit of advice and consultation with the members of the Medical Boards of the different Hospitals of your Department was at all times readily obtainable, no official relation with the Asylum existed (except in the case of Professor James R. Wood, who had for some years performed valuable service as Consulting Surgeon, and who continues to perform such service as a member of the new Board and as its President), and the service was simply one of courtesy.

Under the existing arrangement the Superintendents have not only the right to call for advice and assistance in grave cases from duly appointed consultants, but the latter perform the other usual duties of a Medical Board in examining candidates for appointment as Assistant Physicians, making regular inspections of the Asylums and the like.

The value of this Board in affording assistance and support to the Superintendent, counsel to your Board, and the assurance of careful and intelligent supervision to friends of patients and the public cannot be overestimated.

It is proposed also to enlist the services of some at least of the gentlemen composing the Board in enlarging the scope of the clinical lectures given at the Asylum from year to year, and so in rendering the Asylum of greater use as an educator among medical students and general practitioners. In the meantime the annual course of clinics has been given during the month of June by the Medical Superintendent to classes of increased size.

The appointments of Professor J. W. S. Arnold, of the Medical Department of the University of New York, as the Special Pathologist of the Asylum, and of Dr. Maurice N. Miller as his Assistant, have ensured profitable use of the pathological material afforded.

Each of the Annual Reports which I have had the honor to address to your Board—five in all—has directed attention to the increasing overcrowding of the Institution and its disastrous effects in augmenting the dangers and lessening the chances of recovery of its inmates. A year since the evil had so far grown that 689 patients were crowded into a building only intended to hold 434, while 420 others were temporarily and inadequately provided for on Randall's Island and in a building upon this Island borrowed from the Commissioners of Emigration. The only measure of permanent relief then in progress was a new wing designed to hold 240 patients, of which the basement story had been erected by the labor of the inmates of this Department. The year has passed without any further progress in this measure of relief; sufficient funds for the completion of the wing have been withheld by the Board of Apportionment, and the superstructure has not been commenced. On the other hand the number of patients has increased, while the provision for their accommodation has not, and wards which last year, with 989 patients, were thought to be crowded to their utmost limit, are now forced to hold an addition of 107, or 1,096 in all.

There is now good reason to hope that funds for the completion of this wing will be immediately forthcoming, and that it may be ready for occupancy before another year has expired. But at the best the relief which it will afford will be very partial and incomplete, and will not suffice to restore even the main building to its proper condition. The patients in outlying and unsuitable buildings must still remain there (if, indeed, the building loaned by the Commissioners of Emigration is not reclaimed by them), and there will be no provision for the natural increase of the insane in the future.

I therefore respectfully renew my recommendation of former years, that the wing already commenced be completed as rapidly as possible, and that the corresponding wing, contemplated in the original plan, be erected; and I recommend that the subject of still further additions to the provisions for the care of the male insane of this Department be forthwith considered.

The Staff of Attendants has been somewhat enlarged during the year, 74 being on duty at its opening and 86 at its close. The latter number gives an average of about one attendant to thirteen patients, and approximates more closely than heretofore to a satisfactory proportion. In the new appointments the employment of skilled attendants, who might supervise the patients in mechanical labor of different kinds, has been duly regarded, and gangs of patients are now severally employed as tailors, plumbers, carpenters, painters and plasterers. With their aid much progress has been made during the year in the repairs and renovation of the building, and the safety, comfort and appearance of the different wards have been decidedly enhanced. Out of door work has also been prosecuted, an increased proportion of patients has been furnished with daily occupation in that way, and the farm has been cultivated more extensively and with greater thoroughness than in former years.

The benefit to the patients which has marked the successive steps taken toward enlarging their field of occupation will justify your Board in more elaborate and extended measures whenever financial limitations will permit of them.

Changes upon the Staff of Assistant Physicians have resulted from its enlargement upon the 1st of April, by the appointment of two additional members, Drs. Allan Fitch and Frank S. Quackenbos, and by the resignations of Drs. Wallace J. Herriman and Alexander Trautman, to whom Drs. Louis W. Schultz and James A. Meek succeeded.

Of the two gentlemen named as resigning, Dr. Harriman did so in order to accept a position as Assistant Physician in the Bloomingdale Asylum for the Insane, and Dr. Trautman to assume the duties of a similar position in the Northern Hospital for the Insane of Wisconsin.

It is gratifying to find that this Asylum is regarded by other Superintendents as a good training school for Assistants, but the fact that they are able to offer greater inducements than we are is unfortunate. It emphasizes the representations and recommendations of my former reports, that a fair salary should be paid to Assistants in this, no less than in other Asylums for the Insane, and that service for longer periods should thereby be secured, and the necessity for frequent changes and the drilling of new and inexperienced men be avoided.

The Rev. Fathers Duranquet and Gelinas, and the Rev. Marinus Willetts have continued during the year their services as Chaplains, and have ministered to the patients of their respective faiths in the chapel and in the wards.

I have the honor, in conclusion, sir, to thank yourself and your associates of the Board, for the continued kindness and marks of confidence which have been shown to me during the past year, and particularly in your entrusting to me the temporary charge of the other Asylum of the Department in addition to my duties here.

Very respectfully,

A. E. MACDONALD, M. D.,

Medical Superintendent.

TABLE A.

Showing General Movements of the Population.

Remaining January 1, 1879		989
Admitted during year ending December 31, 1879	363	
Readmitted " " "	30	
		393
Total under treatment		1,382
Discharged	141	
Died	145	
		286
Remaining December 31, 1879		1,096

TABLE B.

Showing the Ages of Patients who were Discharged or Died during the Year.

Years.	Mania.			Melancholia.		Dementia.			Amentia.		Paresis, Generale.	Not Insane.	Total.
	Acute.	Chronic.	Recurrent.	Acute.	Chronic.	Primary.	Secondary.	Senile.	Idiocy.	Imbecility.			
15 to 20 years	2	1	....	....	....	5	1	....	....	1	....	1	11
20 " 25 "	6	4	1	7	4	8	2	....	....	1	1	1	35
25 " 30 "	6	7	....	9	7	5	1	....	....	1	2	....	38
30 " 35 "	2	2	1	15	4	....	5	....	....	1	6	1	37
35 " 40 "	5	5	....	12	9	....	6	....	....	....	12	1	50
40 " 45 "	3	2	1	11	2	....	2	....	....	....	10	2	33
45 " 50 "	....	4	1	5	4	....	5	....	....	....	14	....	33
50 " 55 "	2	1	....	3	3	....	2	1	....	....	7	....	19
55 " 60 "	....	1	....	3	....	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	5
60 " 65 "	....	1	....	1	3	....	1	2	....	....	4	....	12
65 " 70 "	....	2	....	....	1	....	2	....	....	....	....	1	6
70 " 75 "	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	3	....	....	....	....	3
75 " 80 "	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	2	....	....	....	....	2
80 " 85 "	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	...
85 " 90 "	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	1
90 " 95 "	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Unknown	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	1
Total	26	30	4	66	37	18	28	9	....	5	56	7	286

TABLE C.

Showing their Civil Condition.

	Married.	Single.	Widower.	Unknown.	Total.
Mania, acute	10	16	..	..	26
" chronic	8	21	1	..	30
" recurrent	2	2	..	..	4
Melancholia, acute	29	36	1	..	66
" chronic	16	20	1	..	37
Dementia, primary	..	18	..	.	18
" secondary	10	15	1	2	28
" senile	3	2	4	..	9
Amentia, idiocy	..	..	..	..	..
" imbecility	..	5	..	..	5
Paresis, Generale	44	10	2	..	56
Not Insane	2	3	1	1	7
Total	124	148	11	3	286

TABLE D,

Showing their Nativity.

	Mania.			Melancholia.		Dementia.			Amentia.				
	Acute.	Chronic.	Recurrent.	Acute.	Chronic.	Primary.	Secondary.	Senile.	Idiocy.	Imbecility.	Paresis, Generale.	Not Insane.	Total.
Austria	....	....	....	1	1	....	....	....	....		....	....	2
Bavaria	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	1
Canada	....	....	....	....	1	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	2
Cuba	....	....	....	....	1	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	2
England	3	6	....	1	1	1	2	....	....	....	3	2	19
France	....	1	....	....	1	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	3
Germany	7	2	....	15	4	3	5	....	....	....	15	....	51
Hungary	....	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	1
Ireland	7	9	1	22	17	2	7	4	....	1	18	2	90
Italy	....	....	....	2	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	3
Norway	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	....		....	1
Poland	....	....	....	1	....	2	....	....	....	....	.	....	3
Russia	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	1
Scotland	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	....	2
Sweden	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	1
Switzerland	....	.	1	2	....	....	1	1	....	....	....	....	5
Turkey	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	2
Unknown	1	....	....	1	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	1	4
United States	8	11	2	19	8	8	8	4	....	3	19	2	92
Wales	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	..	....	....	....	1
Total	26	30	4	66	37	18	28	9	..	5	56	7	286

TABLE E.

Showing their Religious Beliefs.

Form of Disease.	Protestant.	Catholic.	Hebrew.	None.	Unknown.	Total.
Mania, acute	12	11	2	..	1	26
" chronic	12	16	2	..	..	30
" recurrent	2	1	..	..	1	4
Melancholia, acute	30	31	3	..	2	66
" chronic	12	23	..	1	1	37
Dementia, primary	5	8	5	..	..	18
" secondary	8	17	2	..	1	28
" senile	4	5	..	..	.	9
Amentia, idiocy	..	..	..	..	..	..
" imbecility	1	3	..	..	1	5
Paresis, Generale	24	30	2	..	..	56
Not Insane	3	3	..	..	1	7
Total	113	148	16	1	8	286

TABLE F.

Showing their Degree of Education.

	Mania.			Melancholia.		Dementia.			Amentia.		Paresis, Generale.	Not Insane.	Total
	Acute.	Chronic.	Recurrent.	Acute.	Chronic	Primary.	Secondary.	Senile.	Idiocy.	Imbecility			
Liberal	1	2	1	2	2	2	....	....	....	....	2	.	12
Common School	2	2	....	4	4	2	5	....	....	....	9	....	28
Read and write	17	19	3	45	25	13	12	6	....	1	34	3	178
Read	1	1	....	4	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	7
None	2	6	....	4	3	....	5	2	....	3	3	....	28
Unknown	3	...	....	7	3	1	5	1	...	1	8	4	33
Total	26	30	4	66	37	18	28	9	....	5	56	7	286

TABLE G.

Showing their Habits.

	Intemperate.	Moderate Drinkers.	Abstinent.	Unknown.	Total.
Mania, acute	10	10	..	6	26
" chronic	21	9	..	..	30
" recurrent	2	1	..	1	4
Melancholia, acute	32	19	..	15	66
" chronic	25	8	..	4	37
Dementia, primary	9	7	1	1	18
" secondary	11	11	1	5	28
" senile	1	6	..	2	9
Amentia, idiocy	..	..	..	..	..
" imbecility	1	2	..	2	5
Paresis, Generale	25	20	1	10	56
Not Insane	2	2	.	3	7
Total	139	95	3	49	286

TABLE H.

Showing their Occupations.

Occupations.	Mania.			Melancholia.		Dementia.			Amentia.				Total.
	Acute.	Chronic.	Recurrent.	Acute.	Chronic.	Primary.	Secondary.	Senile.	Idiocy	Imbecility.	Paresis, Generale	Not Insane.	
Authors	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Agents	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Butchers	2	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	4
Butlers	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Bakers	1	2	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6
Bookbinders	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Boatbuilders	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Bricklayers	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	1	4
Bartenders	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Builders	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1
Boatmen	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	2
Brassfinishers	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1
Boxmakers	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Boilermakers	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1
Bookkeepers	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	4
Blacksmiths	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	3
Bootblacks	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Capmakers	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1
Cooks	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	3
Conductors	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Cabinet makers	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Carpenters	..	..	..	1	2	..	..	2	..	..	1	..	6
Confectioners	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Carpet makers	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1
Chandelier makers	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1
Coachmen	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2
Clerks	1	2	..	6	4	2	..	..	..	..	3	..	18
Cigar makers	1	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	1	..	5
Clay pipe makers	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Coopers	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Compositors	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Caulkers	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Cashboys	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Coppersmiths	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1
Designers	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Drivers	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	6
Engineers	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	3
Engravers	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Expressmen	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1
Farmers	..	..	..	1	1	..	2	..	..	..	1	..	5
Fruit dealers	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Grocers	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Glaziers	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Gilders	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Gasfitters	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Harnessmakers	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Hotel men	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1
Hostlers	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Instrument makers	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Jewelers	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	2
Journalists	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Junk dealers	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Laborers	1	8	1	15	8	1	10	2	..	..	5	..	51
'Longshoremen	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Model makers	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1
Miners	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Masons	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2
Merchants	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	3	..	5
Moulders	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	3
Manufacturers	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Carried Forward	15	17	4	42	27	8	17	8	..	1	37	3	180

TABLE H—*Continued.*

Occupations.	Mania.			Melancholia.		Dementia.			Amentia.				
	Acute.	Chronic.	Recurrent.	Acute.	Chronic.	Primary.	Secondary.	Senile.	Idiocy.	Imbecility.	Paresis, General.	Not Insane.	Total.
Brought forward	15	18	4	42	27	8	17	8	..	1	37	3	180
Machinists	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2
Musicians	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	3
Mechanics	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Newsdealers	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
None	1	2	..	1	1	3	4	..	..	2	1	..	15
Oystermen	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Painters	..	3	..	5	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	1	11
Plasterers	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Plumbers	1	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	6
Porters	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	3
Printers	1	..	..	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	4
Polishers	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Peddlars	..	1	..	2	1	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	6
Pocketbook makers	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Pianomakers	..	..	.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2
Ragmen	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Sailors	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	5
Shoemakers	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	1	5
Sculptors	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1
Sailmakers	..	1	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	3
Silversmiths	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1
Spinners	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Stonecutters	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1
Students	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Tailors	2	..	..	3	2	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	9
Truck-drivers	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Teamsters	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Tradesmen	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1
Theatrical managers	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1
Unknown	..	1	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	1	..	1	6
Upholsterers	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Varnishers	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Weavers	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Wood Turners	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	2
Waiters	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	1	4
Wheelwrights	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Total	26	30	4	66	37	18	28	9	..	5	56	7	286

TABLE I.

Showing Statistics of Hereditary Transmission.

	Mania.			Melancholia.		Dementia.			Amentia.		Paresis, Generale.	Not Insane.	Total.
	Acute.	Chronic.	Recurrent.	Acute.	Chronic.	Primary.	Secondary.	Senile.	Idiocy.	Imbecility.			
Insanity.													
Paternal Side.													
Father and grandfather insane	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Father insane and committed suicide	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1
Father insane	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Grandfather insane	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1
Uncle insane	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Aunt insane	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Maternal Side.													
Mother insane	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	4
Grandfather insane	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Grandmother, brother and sister died insane	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Uncle and two cousins insane	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1
Other Relatives.													
Brother insane	..	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	5
Sister died insane	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Sister insane	1	1	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	4
Sister and brother insane	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Two uncles insane	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Uncle insane	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Cousin insane	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	3
Brother committed suicide	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Nervous Diseases.													
Mother died of apoplexy	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Father died of nervous disease	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Intemperance.													
Father intemperate	1	1	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	..	..	1	6
Parents intemperate	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	2
Other Influences.													
Parents died of phthisis	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Father died of phthisis	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	1	..	4
Mother and two sisters died of phthisis	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Mother died of phthisis	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Brother died of phthisis	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1
No influence discovered	11	2	1	29	14	7	5	2	..	..	25	2	98
Unknown	10	20	1	29	13	5	20	6	..	3	24	4	135
Total	26	30	4	66	37	18	28	9	..	5	56	7	286

TABLE K.

Showing the Condition of those Discharged.

	Recovered.	Improved.	Unimproved.	Not Insane.	Total.
Mania, acute	16	1	..	..	17
" chronic	..	14	5	..	19
" recurrent	4	..	..	..	4
Melancholia, acute	33	13	1	..	47
" chronic	..	17	4	..	21
Dementia, primary	..	10	2	..	12
" secondary	..	1	6	..	7
" senile	..	..	..	..	..
Amentia, idiocy	..	..	..	..	..
" imbecility	..	1	2	..	3
Paresis, Generale	..	3	3	..	6
Not Insane	..	..	..	5	5
Total	53	60	23	5	141

TABLE L.

Showing the Diseases of those who Died.

	Mania.			Melancholia.		Dementia.			Amentia.				
	Acute.	Chronic.	Recurrent.	Acute.	Chronic.	Primary.	Secondary.	Senile.	Idiocy.	Imbecility.	Paresis, Generale.	Not Insane.	Total.
General Diseases.													
Erysipelas, facial	..	..	..	..	..	..	.	..	..	..	1	..	1
Diseases of the Nervous System.													
Cerebral apoplexy	.	..	..	1	2	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	6
" softening	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	2
" tumors	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Epileptic convulsions	1	4	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	8
Meningitis, acute	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	1	4
" chronic	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	3
Meningeal apoplexy	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1
Maniacal exhaustion	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
Paretic convulsions	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	.	8	..	8
Paresis, Generale	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	20	..	20
Diseases of the Respiratory System.													
Bronchitis, chronic	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	3	..	1	..	..	6
Phthisis, pulmonalis	1	1	..	8	6	3	5	2	..	..	5	..	31
Pleurisy, sub-acute	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
" chronic	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	.	..	1
Pneumonia	..	2	..	3	1	..	3	1	..	..	4	..	14
Pulmonary Œdema	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1
Diseases of the Circulatory System.					..								
Mitral Stenosis	..		..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
" insufficiency	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..		..	..	..	2
Diseases of the Alimentary System.													
Diarrhœa, acute	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	8
" chronic	1	1	..	1	2	..	..	1	..	..	3	..	9
Dysentery	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Gastric ulcer	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Suppurative Hepatitis	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Peritonitis, simple acute	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	2
Diseases of the Urinary System.													
Bright's Disease	1	1	..	..	1	1	1	1	..	..	2	..	8
Total	9	11	..	19	16	6	21	9	..	2	50	2	145

ALMS HOUSE, B. I.

WARDEN'S OFFICE, January 1, 1880.

HON. TOWNSEND COX,

President Department of

Public Charities and Correction.

SIR.—Herewith I have the honor to submit my Annual Report of this Institution for the year 1879, accompanied by all its necessary Statistical Tables.

STATEMENT.

There remained in Alms House at the close of 1878, 1,054 inmates. There were admitted during the year 1879, 1,151, making a total of 2,205 under care and to be accounted for.

Of the foregoing number, 234 died, 78 were transferred to other Institutions, and 899 were discharged. There remained in Alms House December 31st, 1879, 994 inmates.

At the close of 1878 we had but four Hospital Wards.

During the early part of 1879, three additional Wards, 1 male and 2 female, were added, leaving now a total of 7—(3 male and 4 female).

Doctors Demarest, Stubenbard and Tuffs officiated at intervals during the year as House Physicians, under the instructions of their respective Visiting Physicians and Surgeons, all of whom, for strict attention to their professional duties, promptness of visits, &c., have earned a good record.

The Orderlies and Nurses have been attentive to their duties, and faithful to their work, considering the many disadvantages they have had to contend with.

IMPROVEMENTS, ETC.

That portion of the leaky roofs of Male and Female Wings referred to in my last Annual Report, have, through the practical consideration of your Honorable Board, been attended to, and received an overhauling at an expense of $728.

The shed was thoroughly overhauled and made as comfortable almost as ingenuity could make it. A new floor having been put down, the walls well sided with T. & G. lumber, the ceilings, &c., whitewashed, and all the wood work connected with it thoroughly painted, the windows repaired and glazed, and the old and large Rotunda Stove removed and replaced by two first-class No. 21 scorchers, with pipe extending nearly the full length of the building, which keeps it as warm as can be desired. This Retreat is highly prized by all the old male inmates.

THE NEW FEMALE BATH HOUSE.

This beautiful accommodation, so generously got up through the exertions of your Honorable Board, has not only proved to be a grand success, but the greatest of luxuries possible to bestow upon the inmates, as one can readily perceive from the pleasure they manifest when en route on their numerous cheerful visits to the Bath.

The new Water Closet attached to this new Bath House has satisfactorily proved its great advantages and usefulness.

WASH HOUSE.

This Department, as it now stands, don't prove quite satisfactory when we sum up the number of inmates of Alms House, the Asylum for Indigent Blind, and the Incurable Hospital. Leaving out individual work, we find the average census, in round numbers, to reach nearly 1,300.

The enormous quantity of clothing and bedding ordinarily necessary to be washed to allow of a change but once a week, swells up to an average of nearly 6,000 pieces, more or less, which is all done by our inmate, &c., help.

From the foregoing large figures, combined with the inexperienced help, we cannot, with certainty, always rely upon a regular full weekly change. Our facilities in this Department not being on the most approved modern basis, the labor must necessarily be very heavy.

SUGGESTIONS, ETC.

I hope for the honor of announcing in my next Annual Report, the erection of a suitable Cook House in lieu of the two now in use, which are altogether inadequate for the proper performance of the work imposed upon them.

With a building of proper capacity, centrally located, and the necessary facilities for cooking, &c., half the help now employed would prove ample to perform the duties, cook for both houses, and keep every thing connected with it in a perfect sanitary condition. This reform I most respectfully recommend to the kind consideration of your Honorable Board.

The outside walls, walks, roads, fences, &c., have been whitewashed and kept in a good state of repair.

The inside walls, ceilings, halls, balconies, &c., &c., of both wings, offices and all other appendages to the main buildings have been kept in good order by timely repairs.

POLICEING AND FARMING.

The general policeing of the Institution and its grounds, as well as the labor required in the dining rooms, cook houses, stores and offices, wash house, carpenter's, blacksmith's, cooper's, tinsmith's, shoemaker's, tailor's and barber's shops, dead houses, as well as plastering and painting, sewing rooms, manufacturing bureau, bath house, &c., are performed, with a few exceptions, by inmates (amongst which is a large portion of skilled labor.)

The ability, industry and cheerfulness exhibited by those old veteran workers, truly deserves to be commended.

The farming and gardening of the grounds, is also the labor of another class of inmates, under the supervision of a paid foreman. They work well, are submissive and obedient, and raise a large amount of vegetables.

The Rev. Father Regnier and Revs. W. G. French, Searles, and others, have paid their usual unremitting attention to those of their respective persuasions by ministering to their spiritual wants, and making light the burthen coupled with old age and the infirmities incident thereto.

The Libraries connected with the respective churches, "the Catholic and Protestant Episcopal Missions," are still fully patronized by the inmates.

The frequent visits and greetings attendant on the ladies of the Flower Mission, the Sisters of the Blackwell's Island Good Samaritan Mission, of the State Aid Society, of the Misses Wesner, and other benevolent ladies, still command the greatest attention, gratitude, and influence of the inmates, and are also calculated to cultivate in them a highly elevated moral standard.

With cheerfulness I must acknowledge to your Honorable Board our prompt receipt of supplies, as well as their fair standard in quality and quantity.

The officers and employes under my charge, I am happy to add, have performed their many and very often onerous duties well, and have assisted me materially in promulgating and carrying out my orders, with cheerfulness and alacrity.

In conclusion, I deem it my duty once more to tender to your Honorable Board the greatest thanks for the uniform kindness manifested towards me throughout the year, but more particularly for their great interest in promoting the hapiness of my inmates by the addition of the luxurious accommodations and other improvements heretofore explained.

I am, Sir, very respectfully,

M. VOUGHT,

Warden.

THE FOLLOWING IS THE ORDER OF STATISTICAL TABLES.

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10, Monthly Admissions, Discharges, Deaths, &c.
A, Per Capita Statement.

STATEMENT

Showing the Number of Inmates in the Alms House December 31, 1878, *the number received during the year* 1879, *the number discharged and died during that period, and the number remaining December* 31, 1879.

Number of Inmates remaining December 31, 1878			1,054
Received from Commissioners and Superintendent of Out-Door Poor during the year 1879		1,096	
From other Institutions		55	
			1,151
			2,205
Discharged during the year 1879		899	
Transferred from other Institutions		78	
Deaths		234	
			1,211
Remaining December 31, 1879			994
Males	517		
Females	477		
		994	
Natives	81		
Foreigners	913		
		994	

TABLE II.

Nativities of Inmates admitted to the Alms House during the year 1879.

Nativities.	Men.	Women.	Total.
United States	87	66	153
Ireland	280	492	772
England	30	19	49
Scotland	20	3	23
Germany	81	39	120
France	6	3	9
Canada	2	4	6
Italy	3	..	3
Other Countries	15	1	16
Total	524	627	1151

Causes of Pauperism of Inmates admitted to the Alms House during the year 1879.

Cause.	Men.	Women.	Total.
Vagrancy	20	25	45
Blindness	25	14	39
Lameness	6	2	8
Old Age	6	13	19
Deaf and Dumb	1	..	1
Sickness	4	45	49
Destitution	462	528	990
Total	524	627	1151

TABLE III.

Classification of Ages of the Inmates of the Alms House when admitted.

Ages.	Men.	Women.	Total.
Between 10 and 20 years	5	4	9
" 20 " 30 "	15	44	59
" 30 " 40 "	44	45	89
" 40 " 50 "	55	43	98
" 50 " 60 "	87	101	188
" 60 " 70 "	164	197	361
" 70 " 80 "	119	133	252
" 80 " 90 "	34	48	82
" 90 " 100 "	1	12	13
Total	524	627	1,151

TABLE IV.

Statement of Inmates of the Alms House sent to Charity Hospital during the year 1879.

Their Return and Deaths.	Men.	Women.	Total.
Remaining in Hospital December 31, 1878	....	3	....
Sent to Hospital during the year 1879	....	42	....
Total	....	....	45
Returned to Alms House	...	....	....
Discharged from Hospital	....	39	....
Died during the year	....	1	40
Remaining in Hospital December 31, 1879	....	....	5

TABLE V.

There were Two Hundred and Thirty-four Deaths in the Alms-house, during the year 1879.

Diseases.	Men.	Women.	Total.
Asthenia, Exhaustion, Bronchitis	2	1	3
Apoplexy, Apnœa	1	..	1
Alcoholism, Œdema of Brain, Asthenia	1	..	1
Atheromatic, Bronchitis	..	1	1
Bright's Disease, Asthenia	..	4	4
Bronchitis, Asthenia	..	1	1
Cirrhosis of Liver, Asthenia	3	3	6
Coroners' Cases	1	5	6
Chronic Diarrhœa, Asthenia	2	1	3
Chronic Meningitis, Cardiac Disease	2	1	3
Cerebral Softening, Asthenia	5	1	6
Capillary Bronchitis, Asthenia	5	3	8
Calcerous Degenerate, Nassive Congestion	1	..	1
Calsified Aortic Valves, Cirrhosis of Liver and Kidneys	1	1	2
Congestion, Lungs	1	3	4
Cardiac Disease, Asthenia	..	2	2
Cystic Degeneration both Kidneys, Convulsions, Asthenia	2	1	3
Catarrhal Phthisis	2	1	3
Cerebral Apoplexy, Coma	..	1	1
Chronic, Bright's Rheumatism	..	3	3
Diarrhœa, Asthenia	1	2	3
Epilepsy, Paralysis, Coma	5	1	6
Fracture of Neck of Femur, Asthenia	1	..	1
Fatty Heart, Liver and Kidneys, Exhaustion	..	1	1
Gangrene of Foot, Asthenia	1	1	2
Gastritis, Hypertrophy	1	1	2
Hypostatic Pneumonia	1	..	1
Hypertrophy, Left Ventricle Heart	1	1	2
Meningitis, Coma	3	1	4
Hæmorrhage, Coma	..	1	1
Phthisis Pulmonalis, Congestion of Lungs	6	13	19
Pleura-Pneumonia, Cardiac Disease, Apnœa	2	4	6
Pneumonia, Asthenia	..	2	2
Pulmonary Phthisis, Asthenia	2	..	2
Parenchymatous Nephrites, Asthenia	1	..	1
Pericarditis Hemiplegia, Asthenia	1	1	2
Paralysis, Asthenia	1	1	2
Pyæmia, Asthenia	1	2	3
Strangulated Femeral Hernia, Gangrene	..	1	1
Softening of Brain, Asthenia	2	..	2
Senectus Asthenia, Diarrhœa and Bronchitis	46	63	109
Total	105	129	234

TABLE VI.

Number of Inmates from other Institutions received into the Alms-house during the year 1879.

Institutions.	Men.	Women.	Total.
Charity Hospital	1	2	3
Magistrates	14	15	29
Lunatic Asylum	3	6	9
Hart's Island and Ward's Island	6	7	13
Paralytic Hospital	..	1	1
Total	24	31	55

TABLE VII.

Number of Inmates and Help received from Work-house during 1879.

	M.	W.	Men.	Women.	Total.
Remaining in Alms House Dec. 31, 1878			24	44	68
Admitted during the year 1879			76	677	753
			100	721	821
Discharged during the year	84	665			
Died " "	2	2			
			86	667	753
Remaining December 31, 1879			14	54	68

TABLE VIII.

Nativities of Inmates of the Alms-house who have died during the year 1879.

Countries.	Men.	Women.	Total.
United States	12	6	18
Ireland	60	113	173
England	6	1	7
Scotland	2	..	2
Germany	20	6	26
France	1	..	1
Other Countries	4	3	7
Total	105	129	234

TABLE IX.

ber of Inmates transferred from Alms-house to other Institutions.

Institutions.	Men.	Women.	Total.
ospital	1	44	45
Asylum	20	12	32
Island	..	1	1
Total	21	57	78

TABLE X.

Admissions, Discharges and Deaths, 1879.

	Admissions.					Discharges.					Deaths.				
	Men.	Women.	Native.	Foreign.	Total.	Men.	Women.	Native.	Foreign.	Total.	Men.	Women.	Native.	Foreign.	Total.
ry	52	53	10	95	105	25	25	6	44	50	14	13	2	25	27
ary	40	47	6	81	87	42	35	11	66	77	17	18	1	34	35
	33	42	10	65	75	35	42	12	65	77	7	24	2	29	31
	32	41	14	59	73	64	62	16	110	126	10	14	3	21	24
	36	56	10	82	92	47	51	20	78	98	9	10	1	18	19
	42	63	14	91	105	44	53	12	85	97	9	5	2	12	14
	48	65	18	95	113	27	46	10	63	73	8	10	3	15	18
ust	38	39	12	65	77	40	49	15	74	89	4	8	..	12	12
ember	43	66	11	98	109	53	53	10	96	106	6	7	3	10	13
ber	52	61	17	96	113	40	56	11	85	96	5	4	..	9	9
ember	59	51	17	93	110	19	19	4	34	38	5	10	2	13	15
ember	49	43	11	81	92	16	34	8	42	50	8	9	1	16	17
Total	524	627	150	1001	1151	452	525	135	842	977	102	132	20	214	234

HOSPITAL FOR INCURABLES, B. I.

WARDEN'S OFFICE, January 1, 1880.

HON. TOWNSEND COX,

President Department of

Public Charities and Correction.

SIR.—Herewith please find my Annual Report of this Institution, with all the necessary tables in explanation of its workings accompanying, for the year 1879.

STATEMENT, ETC.

There remained in the Hospital for Incurables at close of the year 1878		106
There were admitted during 1879		38
Total under treatment and to be accounted for		144
There were discharged	7	
There died	33	40
Total remaining December 31, 1879		104

The same skillful attendants, Orderly and Nurse, continue to see to the wants and comforts of those patients, who all seem content at their situation, and are as comfortable as they really can wish for.

The Alms-house Physicians give strict attention to their wants when needed, and visit them daily to see if all is right. In this Institution there is no lack of reading matter, which is still furnished by the kind ladies of the Flower Mission, and the several other benevolent ladies of the different denominations.

The ministrations of consolation, comfort and prayer to the sick and dying are promptly attended to by the clergy of the different persuasions.

I am, Sir, very respectfully,

M. VOUGHT,

Warden.

THE FOLLOWING IS THE ORDER OF STATISTICAL TABLES.

1. Statement, &c.
2, 2. Nativities of those Admitted and those who Died.
3. Ages of Patients.
4. Deaths and Classification of Diseases.
5. Admissions, Discharges and Deaths by Months.
A, Statement showing cost per Capita.

TABLE I.

Statement of Hospital for Incurables.

Number of Inmates remaining December 31, 1878		106
" " received during the year 1879		38
		144
Number of Inmates discharged during the year 1879	7	
" " who have died " " "	33	40
Total		104

Men	51	Natives	7
Women	53	Foreigners	97
	— 104		— 104

TABLE II.

Nativities of Inmates of the Hospital for Incurables admitted during the year 1879.

Countries.	Men.	Women.	Total
United States	3	3	6
Ireland	6	13	19
Germany	2	4	6
Scotland	1	2	3
England	2	2	4
Total	14	24	38

Nativities of Inmates of the Incurable Hospital who have died during the year 1879.

Countries.	Men.	Women.	Total
United States	..	4	4
Ireland	3	15	18
England	..	3	3
Germany	1	4	5
Scotland	1	2	3
Total	5	28	33

TABLE III.

Ages of the Inmates of the Hospital for Incurables admitted during the year 1879.

Ages.	Men.	Women.	Total.
Between 30 and 40 years	2	..	2
" 40 " 50 "	..	..	1
" 50 " 60 "	2	..	2
" 60 " 70 "	.	3	3
" 70 " 80 "	9	11	29
" 80 " 90 "	1	10	11
Total	14	24	38

TABLE IV.

Number of deaths in the Hospital for Incurables during the year 1879.

Diseases.	Men.	Women.	Total.
Apoplexy	..	1	1
Cardiac Disease, Asthenia	2	1	3
Coroner Case	1	..	1
Cerebral Softening, Asthenia	2	..	2
Hypostatic Congestion Lungs, Asthenia		1	1
Locomotor, Ataxia	1	..	1
Phthisis, Pulmonalis	1	3	4
Senectus—Asthenia, Paraplegia	6	13	19
Pneumonia, Asthenia	..	1	1
Total	13	20	33

TABLE V.

Admissions, Discharges and Deaths, 1879.

	Admissions.					Discharges.					Deaths.				
	Men.	Women.	Native.	Foreign.	Total.	Men.	Women.	Native.	Foreign.	Total.	Men.	Women.	Native.	Foreign.	Total.
January	1	4	1	4	5	..	..	..	..	..	1	3	1	3	4
February	..	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	1	2
March	1	2	2	1	3	1	..	..	1	1	1	4	..	5	5
April	1	4	..	5	5	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	1	2	3
May	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
June	..	2	..	2	2	..	..	..	..	..	3	1	1	3	4
July	1	1	..	2	2	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	2	2
August	1	1	..	2	2	..	1	..	1	1	1	2	1	2	3
September	5	4	1	8	9	1	..	..	1	1	1	2	1	2	3
October	1	2	.	3	3	..	..	..	..	.	..	2	..	2	2
November	1	..	1	..	1	..	2	..	2	2	2	..	1	1	2
December	2	3	1	4	5	2	..	2	..	2	1	2	..	3	3
	14	24	6	32	38	4	3	2	5	7	13	20	7	26	33

ASYLUM FOR INDIGENT BLIND.

WARDEN'S OFFICE, January 1, 1880.

HON. TOWNSEND COX,

President Department of

Public Charities and Correction.

SIR.—Herewith I have the honor to submit Annual Report of this Asylum for the year 1879.

STATEMEMT, ETC.

There remained in Asylum for Indigent Blind at the close of the year 1878		86
There were admitted		34
Total under care and to be accounted for		120
Of the foregoing number there died	8	
" " " there were discharged	28	36
Total remaining December 31, 1879		84

This Asylum, as explained in prior Reports, remains almost in every way the same. Two Wards each, males and females of the Alms-house, being occupied by them.

They are carefully attended to, and seem very contented and thankful for the kindness shown them. Their Orderlies and Nurses are faithful and kind to them. They also receive a liberal supply of the patronage and benefactions of our benevolent visitors, as explained in accompanying Reports.

Their general health throughout the year has been very good, and they are not forgotten by the clergy.

Their Reading Room also received its share of attention preparatory to the cold weather. In it was placed the large Rotunda Stove, removed from the shed, and which, from the fact of the room being comparatively small, thoroughly heats it, and makes it a very popular resort for the amusement and comfort of the poor Indigent Blind.

I am, Sir, very respectfully,

M. VOUGHT,

Warden.

THE FOLLOWING IS THE ORDER OF STATISTICAL TABLES.

1, Statement, &c.
2, Nativities.
3, Ages.
4, Deaths and Classification of Diseases.
5, Admissions, Discharges and Deaths by Months.
*A, Per Capita Statement (for part of year).

* See explanation given in this statement.

STATEMENT

Of Asylum for Indigent Blind admitted during the year 1879.

Number of inmates remaining December 31, 1878			86
" " received during the year 1879			34
			120
Number of inmates discharged during the year 1879		28	
" " who have died " "		8	
			36
Remaining December 31, 1879			84
Males	41		
Females	43		
		84	
Natives	7		
Foreigners	77		
		84	

TABLE II.

Nativities of the Inmates of the Blind admitted during the year 1879.

Countries.	Men.	Women.	Total.
United States	..	2	2
Ireland	11	12	23
Germany	2	4	6
Scotland	2	1	3
Total	15	19	34

TABLE III.

Ages of the Inmates of the Blind Asylum admitted during the year 1879.

Ages.	Men.	Women.	Total.
Between 20 and 30 years	..	2	2
" 30 " 40 "	2	4	6
" 40 " 50 "	3	2	5
" 50 " 60 "	..	2	2
" 60 " 70 "	8	4	12
" 70 " 80 "	1	5	6
" 80 " 90 "	..	1	1
Total	14	20	34

TABLE IV.

There were eight deaths in the Blind Asylum during the year 1879.

Nativities.	Diseases.	Men.	Women.	Total.
Ireland	Meningitis, Asthenia	1	..	1
"	Senectus, Pneumonia	2	1	3
"	Cardiac Disease	..	1	1
"	Senectus, Diarrhœa	1	1	2
Germany	Capillary Bronchitis	..	1	1
Total		4	4	8

TABLE V.

Admissions, Discharges and Deaths, 1879.

	Admissions.					Discharges.					Deaths.				
	Men.	Women.	Native.	Foreign.	Total.	Men.	Women.	Native.	Foreign.	Total.	Men.	Women.	Native.	Foreign.	Total.
January	1	1	..	2	2	1	..	..	1	1	3	..	..	3	3
February	2	1	..	3	3	1	1	..	2	2	..	..	..	.	..
March	1	1	..	2	2	1	..	..	1	1	..	1	..	1	1
April	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	1	..	.	..	..	..
May	3	2	1	4	5	4	2	3	3	6	..	..	..	..	..
June	2	3	..	5	5	2	1	..	3	3	..	1	..	1	1
July	1	2	1	2	3	1	2	1	2	3	..	..	..	..	..
August	..	3	..	3	3	..	1	1	..	1	..	1	..	1	1
September	1	..	..	1	1	1	1	..	2	2	1	..	.	1	1
October	..	2	..	2	2	1	1	..	2	2	..	..	..	..	..
November	2	1	..	3	3	2	..	..	2	2	..	1	.	1	1
December	..	5	..	5	5	4	..	..	4	4	..	..	..	..	..
Total	13	21	2	32	34	15	13	5	23	28	4	4	..	8	8

ANNUAL STATEMENT

Showing the Daily Cost of each Inmate for Provisions, Clothing and Bedding, Salaries, Fuel and Miscellaneous Articles in Asylum for Indigent Blind, for part of the year ending December 31, 1879, *as well as the total Monthly Cost of the same.*

MONTHS.	Average Numbers.	Provisions.	Monthly Cost.	Daily Cost.	Clothing and Bedding.	Monthly Cost.	Daily Cost.	Salaries.	Monthly Cost.	Daily Cost.	Fuel.	Monthly Cost.	Daily Cost.	Miscellaneous Articles.	Monthly Cost.	Daily Cost.	Total Monthly Cost.	Total Daily Cost.	Total Net Expenses.
		$ c	$ c.	c.	$ c.	c.	c.	$ c.	c.	c.	$ c.	c.	c.	$ c.	c.	c.	$ c.	c.	$ c.
January.	90	225 73	2 50.81	8.09	42 43	47.15	1.52	40 00	44.44	1.43	3 75	4.17	.14	47 07	52.30	1.69	3 98.87	12.87	358 98
February	88	177 32	2 01.50	6.95	42 06	48.67	1.68	40 00	45.45	1.57	14 19	16.13	.55	29 84	33.91	1.17	3 44.78	11.89	303 41
March...	89	207 44	2 33.07	7.52	27 59	31.00	1.00	40 00	44.94	1.45	13 89	15.61	.50	24 43	27.44	.88	3 52.08	11.36	313 35
April....	89	202 24	2 27.23	7.57	32 12	36.09	1.20	40 00	44.94	1.49	17 87	20.08	.67	22 69	25.49	.85	3 53.84	11.79	314 92
May.....	89	200 92	2 25.75	7.28	11 22	12.61	1.41	40 00	44.94	1.45	7 64	8.59	.27	27 10	30.45	.98	3 22.34	10.40	286 88
June.....	89	192 99	2 16.84	7.23	17 53	19.69	.66	40 00	44.94	1.49	1 94	2.18	.07	14 46	16.25	.54	2 99.91	10.00	266 92
July.....	88	246 57	2 80.19	9.04	6 02	6.84	.22	40 00	44.94	1.45	6 18	7.02	.23	14 06	15.98	.51	3 55.49	11.47	312 83
Totals...	622	1453 21	16 35.39	53.68	178 97	2 02.05	6.69	280 00	3 14.59	10.33	65 46	73.78	2.43	179 65	2 01.82	6.62	24 27.31	79.78	2157 29
Average..	89	207 60	2 33.62	7.66	25 57	28.86	.95	40 00	44.94	1.47	9 35	10.54	.34	25 66	28.83	.94	3 46.75	11.39	308 18

REPORT OF THE MEDICAL BOARD

OF THE

WORK-HOUSE AND ALMS-HOUSE HOSPITALS FOR THE YEAR 1879.

January 1, 1880.

HON. TOWNSEND COX,

President Department of

Public Charities and Correction.

SIR.—The Board of Visiting Physicians and Surgeons to the Work-house and Alms-house Hospitals respectfully submit the following report for the year 1879:

WORK-HOUSE HOSPITAL.

Number of Beds in Hospital—Ward for Males	20
" " " Ward for Females	23
Total	43

In addition to these Wards a special cell on the Male and one on the Female Division of the Work-house has been set aside for Hospital use, to accommodate cases for which there is no room in the regular Hospital Wards, or which, from the nature of their complaints (alcoholism, etc.), are not fit inmates for a General Ward. The occurrence of a death in one of the Hospital cells during the year gave rise to an unfounded suspicion of neglect on the part of the House Physician, it not having been understood that these cells constitute a part of the Hospital.

Number of Patients in Hospital, January 1, 1879	39
" " " admitted during year	613
Total number treated during year	652
Average age of patients treated	$37\frac{3}{4}$ years.
Number of patients discharged cured	340
" " " improved	227
" " " unimproved	11
Number of deaths	39
Total	617
Remaining in Hospital, January 1, 1880	35
Total	652

This Hospital has been in satisfactory condition throughout the year. The Resident Physicians and their assistants have performed their duties faithfully.

ALMS-HOUSE HOSPITAL.

Number of cases admitted during the year 1879	607
" " in Wards, January 1, 1880	104
Number of deaths (average age, — years)	255

With reference to this Hospital the Board regrets to state that owing to imperfect organization the record of patients discharged is so defective that it is impossible to present a complete report of its work.

The very high death rate (42 per cent.) is owing to the great age of most of the patients, who suffer chiefly from chronic disease of long standing, and to the fact that many less severe cases, which should have been admitted to the Hospital, have been treated as Dispensary patients from the lack of Hospital accommodations.

The four Wards, containing 70 beds (eight of which are occupied by orderlies, nurses and attendants,) which constituted the Hospital at the beginning of the year being found insufficient, three additional ones were added in February, viz.: One Male Ward, containing 18 beds (of which three are occupied by the Orderly and two assistants,) and two Female Wards, containing 34 beds (of which two are occupied by nurses). The Hospital now contains 109 beds available for patients, exclusive of the Wards for Epileptics.

In October a division was made into Medical and Surgical Services, the Board being increased to seven members, in order to make a division of it into Surgeons and Physicians practicable. In consequence of this change, two Wards, one Male and one Female, were set aside for surgical cases exclusively.

The proposed erection of Hospital buildings separate from the Alms-house buildings proper and provided with necessary conveniences is certainly exceedingly desirable, since the rooms at present occupied as Hospital Wards can be entered only from open verandas and have no conveniences whatever. These Wards have been full throughout the year, and there have been frequently many cases which should have been inmates of the Hospital for whom there has been no hospital accommodation.

The Wards for Male Epileptics are in good condition. The Female Epileptics are at present scattered throughout the Institution. It is desirable to have them collected in Wards appropriated exclusively to their use.

The Board recommends also that the cases of hernia and those convalescing from fracture of the hip be collected in dormitories by themselves. These patients are now scattered throughout the Alms-house. The dormitories allotted to them would not constitute Hospital Wards. The proposed change involves only a grouping together of these cases, who are not proper inmates of a Hospital, but who may need surgical attention at any time.

HOSPITAL FOR INCURABLES.

Number of Patients remaining December 31, 1878		106
" " received during the year 1879		38
Total		144
Number of inmates discharged during the year 1879	7	
Number of deaths (average age, — years)	33	
	—	40
Remaining in Hospital, January 1, 1880		104

Many of the inmates of this Institution, as at present conducted, are not subjects for medical supervision. Those who are properly inmates of a Hospital suffer from the same classes of diseases as affect the patients in the Alms-house Hospital. The Medical Board respectfully suggest the advisability of utilizing the buildings of this Institution as Alms-house dormitories, and of transferring the inmates requiring medical care to the Alms-house Hospital. This latter should have a capacity of 175 to 200 beds to give the necessary accommodations.

The Dispensary attached to the Alms-house has been largely attended.

The Resident Physicians and Assistants have been faithful in the performance of their duties. The amount of professional work required of them is very large. It cannot, indeed, be perfectly performed by one House Physician and a single Assistant.

Appended to this report are lists of the causes of the deaths of patients who have died during the year in the Hospitals under our care.

Very respectfully submitted,

RICHARD VAN SANTVOORD, M. D.,

Secretary Medical Board.

TABLE I.

Alphabetical list of Diseases causing Death in Work-house Hospital, 1879.

Acute desquamative nephritis—Asthenia	1
Apoplexy—Apnœa	1
Alcoholism—Asthenia	1
Aneurism of Aorta—syncope—Asthenia	1
Cholera Infantum—Asthenia	1
Cystitis—Asthenia	1
Cystitis—chronic, Bright's—Asthenia	1
Capillary bronchitis—Apnœa	1
Cerebral abscess (traumatic)—Apnœa	2
Empyema—Apnœa	1
Epilepsy—Cerebral softening—Rural infarction	1
Epilepsy—Asthenia	1
Carried forward	13
Brought forward	13
Fatty degeneration of heart—syncope—Apnœa	1
Intussusception—Asthenia	1
Mitral stenosis—congestion of lungs—Apnœa	1
Mitral regurgitation—Aortic obstruction—Inanition	1
Meningitis—Apnœa	1
Pneumonia—Apnœa—Asthenia	14
Phthisis—Apnœa—Asthenia	6
Typhoid Pneumonia—Asthenia—Apnœa	1
Total	39

Average age of patients that died, 39 3-5 years.

TABLE II.

Deaths which occurred in the Alms-house during the year 1879.

Aortic regurgitation and Asthenia	1
Alcoholism and Œdema of the brain	1
Atheroma—Aortic valves and Asthenia	1
Bronchitis	30
" and chronic diarrhœa	3
" and catarrhal pneumonia	1
" " phthisis	2
" capillary	8
Bright's disease and Cirrhosis of the liver	1
" " and Asthenia	7
" " and mitral regurgitation	1
" " and Bronchitis	1
" " and Pericarditis	1
Calcareous degeneration Aortic valves	2
Carcinoma uteri and coma	1
Cerebral congestion and coma	1
" Apoplexy and coma	2
" softening and Asthenia	7
Chorea and effusion into ventricles of the brain	1
Cirrhosis of the liver	3
" " and kidneys	1
" " kidneys and Asthenia	11
" " liver and Pneumonia	1
Coroners' cases	5
Cystitis	1
Cystitis and convulsions	1
Congestion of the brain	1
Chronic dysentery	2
Cystic degeneration of the kidneys and Asthenia	1
Diarrhœa, chronic	30
Embolism and coma	1
Epilepsy and convulsions	3
" and diarhœa	1
" and paralysis	1
Exhaustion and Asthenia	9
Fracture neck of Femur and exhaustion	1
" Radius and congestion lungs	1
Fatty degeneration heart and Bronchitis	1
" " " liver and kidneys	4
" " " and Pneumonia	2
Gangrene foot, Atheroma and Asthenia	2
Carried forward	124
Brough: forward	124
Gangrene and strangulated Femoral hernia	1
Gastritis and Asthenia	1
Hyperdemia, brain and kidneys, coma	1
Hypostatic congestion lungs and Asthenia	2
Hypertrophy left ventricle and Asthenia	1
" " " and coma	1
Hemiphlegia	1
Infarction and congestion left lung	1
Inflammatory softening brain and coma	1
Loco Motor, Ataxia and Asthenia	1
Meningitis, chronic and epilepsy	1
" " and Asthenia	3
" and coma	2
No cause given	2
Paralysis Agitans and Bronchitis	1
Paresis and bed sores	1
Paraphlegia	2
Perihepatitis and Asthenia	1
Pericarditis, hæmorrhagic	1
Pleurisy and Apnœa	1
" and Bronchitis	1
" and Asthenia	1
" and fibrous Phthisis	1
" sub-acute	1
Pleuro-pneumonia	2
Pneumonia, acute	7
" chronic, double fracture ribs	1
" Hypostatic and Asthenia	1
" lobular	1
Phthisis, Pulmonalis	19
" " and diarrhœa	1
" catarrhal	3
" and congestion of the lungs	1
Pyæmia and Asthenia	1
Pyonephrosis and Asthenia	1
Rheumatism, chronic	1
" and diarrhœa	1
Senectus	27
Scirrhus, tumor breast and exhaustion	1
Syphilis and meningitis	1
Typho malarial fever	1
Total	253

TABLE III.

Deaths which occurred in the Hospital for Incurables during 1879.

Apoplexy, cerebral and Apnœa	1
Aortic regurgitation and Asthenia	1
Bright's disease	1
Bronchitis	3
Cerebral softening and Asthenia	2
Coroner's case	1
Diarrhœa, chronic	1
Exhaustion from large ulcer	1
Hypostatic congestion of the lungs	1
Loco Motor, Ataxia and Asthenia	2
Meningitis, cerebral and cardiac hyper-	—
Carried forward	14
Brought forward	14
throphy	1
Paraphlegia and Asthenia	1
Phthisis, pulmo alis	4
Pneumonia, lobar and Asthenia	1
Senectus	11
" and atheroma Aortic valves	1
" and mitral regurgitation	1
Total	34

Of the above, 14 were in the Male Incurable.
" " 20 " " Female "

CITY PRISONS.

CITY PRISON, NEW YORK, January 1, 1880.

HON. TOWNSEND COX,

President Board of Commissioners of
Public Charities and Correction.

SIR.—I have the honor to present to your Honorable Board my Second Annual Report of City Prisons, with statistics thereof for the year 1879.

It will be perceived by comparing the statistics of the past year with those of the present that there has been a considerable falling off in the "Admissions." In the year 1878, there were received in City Prisons 44,354 prisoners, whereas in this year the number has been but 40,455, which, although 3,899 less then that of 1878, still shows that the criminal and suspected classes rank numerically high in the community.

Acting upon my suggestion, your Honorable Board had all the old soil pipes which had been in use since the erection of the prison (and which were very inadequate for draniage purposes,) taken up and replaced with pipes of much greater calibre and capacity, thus securing a perfect system of drainage, and thereby purifying the atmosphere of the prison and its surroundings, and consequently adding to the healthfulness of the prisoners. This improvement has been of incalculable benefit to the Institution.

I desire to draw the attention of your Honorable Board to the incapacity of the Boys' Prison to accomodate the number of juveniles of that class who are committed here. When first erected in 1866 it was amply sufficient, as the number of boy-prisoners was comparitively small; but now our census show as many as 35 a day. It is very evident that a building large enough to meet the requirements of a dozen persons will not suffice for three times that number. To supply the lack of room at present existing I would respectfully

suggest that three more stories be added to the Boys' Prison, thus making three more rows of tiers, and a floor over all which could be used for school purposes and instruction generally. As you are aware, owing to the limited space at our command, boys sentenced to various terms in City Prison, have to be transferred to Jefferson Market to serve out their time by an order from your Honorable Board.

The health of the inmates has been uniformly good, but as the doctor will treat of the sanitary condition of the inmates in his report I deem it but necessary to merely advert to it.

My thanks are due Deputy Warden Mark Finley and Clerk William J. Cawley for the practical and willing aid which they always render me; also Matron Flora Foster and her assistants, and the Keepers generally who always evince a ready willingness to perform their duties faithfully.

I have to thank your Honorable Board for the uniform kindness which I have received at your hands since I have been entrusted with the management of the City Prisons, and your readiness to adopt almost every suggestion made which you consider as practical benefit to the Institution.

I have the honor to be,

Your obedient servant,

JAMES FINN,

Warden.

PHYSICIAN'S REPORT.

CITY PRISON, January 1, 1880.

HON. TOWNSEND COX,

President Department of

Public Charities and Correction.

SIR:—It is with pleasure that I have to report that the health of the inmates of the prison has been most excellent during the past year. There was only two deaths; one, an old woman who acted for years as an attendant in the female prison; the other was a Work-

House prisoner who was in a dying condition when brought in. There has not been a single case of any acute or contagious disease among the prisoners confined here. This speaks highly of the sanitary condition of the prison and the attention paid to cleanliness.

Among the prisoners arrested for drunkenness and disorderly conduct, there are always a large number bordering on delirium tremens, or actually in delirium. This class has to be watched with a great deal of care, for some of them are so stupified with drink that they do not complain of any injuries they may have received, or any disease they may be suffering from. These cases are always sent by ambulance to the hospital, as there was no hospital ward attached to the prison. The Warden has been very watchful of this class of cases. Where he has seen that they would admit of no delay, he has had them immediately transferred.

The number of male and female cases of insanity committed to the asylums from the prison will be found in the Warden's Report. In place of such cases being sent to prison, they should be sent to a building specially provided for them. A number of them are so weak that they have to be immediately transferred to hospital. Again, others are so noisy that they keep all the prisoners awake at night with their ravings.

The accommodation here for such cases are so poor that very few are kept the five days allowed by law for medical examination. Still, I think they should be kept that long before being committed to the asylum, especially in cases where no previous history can be obtained.

The dietary table of the prison is so arranged as to furnish to each prisoner a sufficient quantity of good wholesome food.

Thanking the Board for the uniform kindness shown to me and the other officers of the Prison, I hope they will have as little trouble in the management of the Prison in the future as they had during the past year.

Very respectfully,

WM. L. HARDY, M. D.,

Physician to Prison.

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Report of City Prisons for the year 1879.

FIRST DISTRICT PRISON.	MALES.	FEMALES.	TOTAL.
Number remaining January 1, 1879	230	64	294
" received during the year ending December 31, 1879	16667	10416	27083
	16897	10480	27377
COURTS.			
State Prison	605	...	605
Penitentiary	1604	309	1913
House of Refuge	202	45	247
State Reformatory at Elmira	160	...	160
R. C. Protectory	34	2	36
House of Good Shepherd	...	1	1
Juvenile Asylum	2	...	2
House of Detention	1	...	1
Magdalen	...	1	1
Insane Asylum	1	...	1
POLICE JUSTICES.			
Work-House	6341	7684	14025
COMMISSIONERS.			
Work-house	323	466	789
Alms-house	7	9	16
Bellevue Hospital	23	10	33
Charity Hospital	2	...	2
Homœopathic Hospital	...	1	1
Epileptic Hospital	1	...	1
State Board of Charities	83	...	83
Lunatic Asylum	123	112	235
Board of Emigration	2	...	2
Idiot Asylum	2	...	2
Died	...	2	2
Discharged	7133	1775	8908
Remaining December 31, 1879	248	63	311
Total	16897	10480	27377
In addition to number received at First District Prison, viz	16667	10416	27083
There were discharged from Second District Prison	3212	1213	4425
Sent to Blackwell's Island by Commissioners	142	131	273
" Superintendent Out-Door Poor	12	10	22
" Bellevue Hospital	52	41	93
Remaining in Prison December 31, 1879	42	32	74
There were discharged from Third District Prison	2533	1070	3603
Sent to Blackwell's Island by Commissioners	21	21	42
Died	1	..	1
Remaining in Prison December 31, 1879	20	19	39
There were discharged from Fourth District Prison	2763	596	3359
Sent to Blackwell's Island by Commissioners	71	53	124
" Bellevue Hospital	68	57	125
Remaining in Prison December 31, 1879	32	14	46
There were discharged from Fifth Division Prison	782	173	955
Sent to Blackwell's Island by Commissioners	77	45	122
Remaining in Prison December 31, 1879	5	1	6
There were discharged from Sixth District Prison	52	11	63
Remaining in Prison Dececember 31, 1879	..	...	...
Total	26552	13903	40455

NEW YORK PENITENTIARY.

BLACKWELL'S ISLAND, January 1, 1880.

HON. TOWNSEND COX,

President Department of

Public Charities and Correction.

SIR.—I have the honor to present to you my Fifth Annual Report of the operations of the New York County Penitentiary for the year ending December 31, 1879.

The census report of this Institution for the year just closed, compared with a similar report for the year 1878, shows a decided decrease in its population, which has gradually fallen from about the first of March last, and continues to decline up to the date of this report.

The population at the commencement of the year comprised 824 males, 186 females—total, 1,010. The admissions during the year were 1,634 males, 310 females—total, 1,944; and the discharges during the same period were 1,769 males, 347 females—total, 2,116; leaving at the close of the year 689 males, 149 females—total, 838. Comparing these statistics with those for 1878 show a decrease in the population of 172, and a decrease in the daily average for the year of 125½.

In explanation of this marked decrease in our population, I would state that the records of the Criminal Courts of this County show that a large proportion of the younger class of convicts who were formerly committed to this Institution are now committed to the State Reformatory at Elmira. Transfers also have been made from this Penitentiary to the same Institution; no less than twenty-one young convicts under twenty-one years of age, with terms of sentence ranging from two to ten years, were transferred to this Reformatory during the past year, as provided by Chapter 284, Laws of 1879.

Should our population be further reduced or even remain at its present standard, we should be able to carry out the suggestions made by your Honorable Board in reference to the removal of the females prisoners from the Shop Dormitories to the Prison proper, where they can be placed in cells during night. Preparations are now in progress to this end, and should there be no unforseen obstacles in the way, the transfer will take place in the course of a few weeks, which, when accomplished, will be of great benefit to the discipline and good government of that class of prisoners.

Hereto appended will be found a series of Tables marked A to M, inclusive, containing the statistics of the Institution for the year.

The total cost of the maintenance of the Prison, including repairs, was $105,718 84, the daily per capita cost being 32 cents 6 1.10 mills. and it will be seen by the balance sheet hereto appended that the real net expenses were $104,666 36.

The number of escapes during the year were ten, six of whom escaped from guard boats, where they were placed to assist the guards in the performance of their duties in guarding the several Islands under control of the Department. This system of employing prisoners to guard prisoners, which has been in operation at this Institution for more than twenty years, and which has given so much trouble and annoyance each year to the Warden and his officers, was a short time since changed by your Honorable Board to a system of paid officers in guard boats, which will unquestionably prove of great benefit to this Department in the discipline of the river service and in the prevention of escapes.

The sanitary condition of the Prison, as usual, has been excellent throughout the year, the hospital arrangements are good and these wards have been kept in a thoroughly clean and wholsome condition, which can be attested to by the Medical Inspector. The number of deaths during the year was eleven, a small mortality considering the number of prisoners who have the germs in their system before reaching the Island. The legal deduction for good conduct from the term of their sentence was carried by 345 convicts.

The buildings in this Department are in good condition, with the exception of the roof of the Penitentiary Building proper, which is in a very bad condition. It has been patched and repaired continually for the past five years until repairing does but little good, the rafters

and other timbers connected with it are good, and the planking is in fair condition, but the covering is so completely delapidated that in my opinion it would be a piece of economy to remove the whole of it and place a new covering in its stead.

The labor in this Department during the past year has been conducted with the same zeal and economy with which it has been credited during the past few years by those who have observed the working of the Department during that period. Besides doing the usual amount of repairs, the work-shops have turned out a large quantity of new work, which has given entire satisfaction to the Institutions where the same has been distributed.

At out-door labor, quarrying and stone cutting, have been carried on throughout the year with very satisfactory results; a large quantity of cut stone being now on hand for building purposes.

The Chaplains of the Department have been zealous in rendering their services to the inmates and holding divine service each Sabbath regularly—the Catholics in the forenoon and the Protestants in the afternoon. The Medical service of the Institution has been well cared for; the attending physicians having been assiduous in their attention to the sick and disabled prisoners, the service being, at the same time, admirably supervised by the Chief of Staff.

The Officers of the Penitentiary have generally performed their duties well, and been vigilant in the safe-keeping of the prisoners, at the same time seeing that they were properly cared for and did the work given them.

To your Honorable Board I desire to express my acknowledgments for the assistance and support which they have given me in the performance of my duties.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

JOHN M. FOX,

Warden.

TABLE A.

Shows the number of Male and Female Convicts remaining on December 31, 1878; *how many have been received, discharged, etc., during the year* 1879; *also how many are remaining at this date, December* 31, 1879.

New York Penitentiary, Blackwell's Island, N. Y. City, 1879.	Males.				Females.				Total.	Native.	Foreign.
	Court.		Police.		Court.		Police.				
	White.	Black.	White.	Black.	White.	Black.	White.	Black.			
Remaining December 31, 1878	792	32	..	..	171	15	..	..	1010	604	406
Received from Jan. 1 to Dec. 31, 1879	1546	62	22	1	285	18	4	..	1944	1179	765
Born	3	..	..	..	3	..	..	..			
Imprisoned	2341	94	22	1	459	33	4	..	2954	1783	1171
Discharged from Jan. 1 to Dec. 31, 1879	1637	67	7	1	319	18	1	..	2050	1245	805
Pardoned " " " "	7	..	..	..	...	..	..	..	7	4	3
Transferred " " " "	21	..	13	..	1	..	3	..	38	28	10
Escaped " " " "	9	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	10	10	...
Deceased " " " "	6	1	..	..	3	1	..	..	11	6	5
Total discharged	1680	68	20	1	324	19	4	..	2116	1293	823
Total remaining December 31, 1879	661	26	2	..	135	14	..	..	838	490	348

TABLE B.

Convicts received from January 1 *to December* 31, 1879.

Months.	Males.		Females.		Total.
	White.	Black.	White.	Black.	
January	139	7	25	1	172
February	143	4	20	..	167
March	130	1	22	..	153
April	119	5	29	1	154
May	110	9	20	3	142
June	129	6	26	3	164
July	139	6	26	..	171
August	107	6	29	..	142
September	159	7	21	5	192
October	131	1	18	2	152
November	101	3	25	2	131
December	164	8	31	1	204
Total	1571	63	292	18	1944

TABLE C.

Convicts Discharged from January 1 to December 31, 1879.

Months.	Males.		Females.		Total.
	White.	Black.	White.	Black.	
January	149	4	25	3	181
February	142	6	27	2	177
March	147	8	30	3	188
April	145	7	31	..	183
May	146	2	21	..	169
June	161	5	26	1	193
July	150	7	31	2	190
August	142	6	25	3	176
September	123	6	33	2	164
October	109	6	23	2	140
November	149	8	33	..	190
December	137	4	23	1	165
Total	1700	69	328	19	2116

TABLE D.

Variations in Census of Convicts during the year 1879.

Months.	Highest.			Lowest.		
	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.
January	824	186	1010	793	178	971
February	828	184	1012	804	175	979
March	823	175	998	778	158	936
April	804	164	968	746	155	901
May	764	165	929	720	160	880
June	743	170	913	706	164	870
July	732	167	899	685	159	839
August	694	169	863	656	154	815
September	691	163	854	653	148	801
October	714	155	869	690	146	836
November	714	148	862	662	143	805
December	700	15[illegible]	851	658	138	796

TABLE E.

Classifies the Ages of Convicts received from January 1 to December 31, 1879.

Ages.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Ages.	Males.	Females.	Total.
Under 15 years	7	3	10	Brought forward	1519	260	1779
From 15 to 20 years	466	32	498	From 45 to 50 years	45	29	74
" 20 " 25 "	416	39	455	" 50 " 55 "	32	10	42
" 25 " 30 "	254	50	304	" 55 " 60 "	24	5	29
" 30 " 35 "	153	52	205	" 60 " 65 "	7	2	9
" 35 " 40 "	133	62	195	Over 65	7	4	11
" 40 " 45 "	90	22	112				
Carried forward	1519	260	1779	Total	1634	310	1944

TABLE F.

Education of the Convicts received from January 1 to December 31, 1879.

EDUCATION.	Males.	Females.	Total.
Read and Write....	1372	144	1516
Read.....	92	89	181
Uneducated.....	170	77	247
Total.....	1634	310	1944

TABLE G.

Social Condition of the Convicts received from January 1 to Dec. 31, 1879.

SOCIAL CONDITION.	Males.	Females.	Total.
Single.....	1132	62	1194
Married.....	464	139	603
Widowed.....	38	109	147
Total.....	1634	310	1944

TABLE H.

Number of times that Convicts received during the year 1879 have been committed.

TIMES COMMITTED.	Males.	Females.	Total.
First time.....	1141	216	1357
Second time.....	323	47	370
Third time.....	122	30	152
Fourth time.....	34	10	44
Fifth time.....	9	6	15
Sixth time.....	2	...	2
Seventh time.....	1	...	1
Eighth time.....	....	...	....
Ninth time.....	....	...	....
Tenth time and upward.....	2	1	3
Total.....	1634	310	1944

TABLE I.

Nationalities of the Convicts received during year ending December 31, 1879.

NATIVITIES.	Males.	Females.	Total.
United States.....	1080	101	1181
Ireland.....	262	157	419
England.....	67	15	82
Germany.....	110	20	130
France.....	17	3	20
Canada.....	17	4	21
Switzerland.....	4	1	5
Italy.....	16	..	16
Prussia.....	5	..	5
West Indies.....	1	..	1
Cuba.....	8	..	8
Denmark.....	4	..	4
Scotland.....	13	8	21
Norway.....	2	..	2
Portugal.....	1	..	1
Carried forward.....	1607	309	1916

NATIVITIES.	Males.	Females.	Total.
Brought forward..	1607	309	1916
Austria.....	2	..	2
Wales.....	2	..	2
Prussia.....	1	..	1
Sweden.....	6	1	7
Spain.....	2	..	2
Finland.....	1	..	1
Poland.....	4	..	4
Nova Scotia.....	2	..	2
Mexico.....	2	..	2
Hungary.....	1	..	1
China.....	2	..	2
Newfoundland.....	1	..	1
Belgium.....	1	..	1
Total.....	1634	310	1944

TABLE J.

Crimes Committed by Convicts received from January 1 *to December* 31, 1879.

Crimes.	Males.	Females.	Total.
Petit larceny	966	216	1182
" " attempt at	17	2	19
" " from the person, attempt at	1	..	1
" " from the person	21	9	30
" " and assault and battery	..	..	..
Grand larceny	53	26	79
" " attempt at	4	..	4
" " from the person, attempt at	..	..	..
" " from the person	3	3	6
Assault and battery	320	23	343
" " indecent	9	..	9
Assault	17	3	20
" felonious	10	3	13
Burglary, 1st degree	2	..	2
" 2d "	38	2	40
" 3d " attempt at	15	..	15
Forgery, 2d "	1	..	1
" 3d "	12	..	12
Indecent exposure	10	..	10
Embezzlement	12	..	12
Malicious mischief	7	..	7
Receiving stolen goods	15	..	15
Carrying burglar's tools	5	..	5
" concealed weapons	5	..	5
False pretences	7	..	7
Cruelty to animals	5	..	5
" children	1	1	2
Attempt to rescue a prisoner	5	..	5
Keeping a gambling-house	2	..	2
Manslaughter, 4th degree	3	1	4
Escaped convicts	3	..	3
Vagrancy	23	4	27
Children	4	3	7
Assault, with intent to steal	23	2	25
Keeping a disorderly house	4	4	8
Defrauding	1	..	1
Violation of city ordinance	1	..	1
Bigamy	3	1	4
Employing children to solicit alms	2	..	2
Found concealed with intent to steal	1	1	2
Arson, 4th degree	1	..	1
Personating a police officer	2	..	2
Abortion	..	2	2
Administering poison with intent to kill	..	1	1
Malpractice	..	1	1
Permitting her child to solicit alms	..	1	1
Abduction	..	1	1
Total	1634	310	1944

TABLE K.

Terms of Commitments of Convicts received from January 1 *to December* 31, 1879.

TERMS.	Males.	Females.	Total.	TERMS.	Males.	Females.	Total.
20 days	1	....	1	Brought forward	1561	286	1847
1 month	293	58	351	1½ "	1	....	1
2 "	160	37	197	1½ "	26	1	27
3 "	290	57	347	2 years	28	10	38
4 "	106	20	126	2½ "	5	2	7
5 "	236	31	267	3 "	5	2	7
6 "	281	44	325	3½ "	1	....	1
7 "	2	....	2	4 "	....	1	1
8 "	4	1	5	4½ "	....	....	....
9 "	9	....	9	5 "	3	3	6
10 "	7	3	10	12 "	....	2	2
11 "	1	....	1	Children	4	3	7
1 year	169	35	204				
1½ "	2	....	2	Total	1634	310	1944
Carried forward	1561	286	1847				

TABLE L.

Occupations of the Male Convicts received from January 1 *to December* 31, 1879.

Agents	5	Brought forward	432
Actors	1	Cabinetmakers	4
Awningmakers	1	Cracker packers	2
Artist	1	Candymaker	1
Bird fancier	1	Cutlers	2
Boatmen	36	Coppersmith	1
Butchers	43	Caulker	1
Bootblacks	21	Carriers	4
Bakers	21	Drivers	143
Barbers	23	Druggists	7
Blacksmiths	13	Dryers	2
Bricklayers	12	Designer	1
Brassfinishers	5	Diamond broker	1
Blacksmiths' helpers	11	Errand Boys	10
Barkeepers	6	Engineers	10
Bookkeepers	13	Florists	2
Boilermakers	6	Firemen	15
Bookbinders	6	Farmers	6
Basketmakers	1	Flaggers	1
Brewers	3	Fishermen	1
Boxmakers	9	Fruit dealers	2
Brokers	4	Gunmakers	2
Brakemen	1	Gardeners	12
Bronzer	1	Glasscutters	4
Brushmakers	3	Glassblower	1
Base-ball maker	1	Glazier	1
Cotton spinners	2	Grocers	5
Clerks	54	Gold engraver	1
Carpenters	47	Goldbeaters	2
Cooks	43	Hostlers	19
Copyist	1	Hatters	11
Cigarmakers	20	Harnessmakers	4
Children	4	Horseshoer	1
Compositors	4	Honemaker	1
Coopers	6	Iron railmaker	1
Carriagemaker	1	Iron moulder	1
Canvasser	1	Junkmen	11
Canemaker	1	Jewellers	4
Carried forward	432	Carried forward	729

TABLE L—*Continued.*

Occupations of the Male Convicts received from January 1 *to December* 31, 1879.

Brought forward	729	Brought forward	1327
Japanner	1	Paper hangers	4
Janitors	4	Quarrymen	2
Laundrymen	2	Rigger	1
Laborers	292	Rivetter	1
Longshoremen	16	Roofers	6
Liquor dealers	2	Stenographer	1
Lithographer	1	Shoemakers	51
Lathers	2	Sailors	43
Manufacturers	2	Stone cutters	3
Machinists	20	Salesmen	11
Moulders	2	Sailmakers	8
Milkmen	6	Shoe cutters	9
Merchants	5	Soapmaker	1
Marble polishers	2	Silver platers	3
Mattressmaker	1	Sign hanger	1
Musicians	3	Steward	1
Morocco dresser	1	Sievemaker	1
Newsboys	7	Shoe finisher	1
Nailmaker	1	Speculators	3
News dealer	1	Tailors	24
Nickel platers	2	Tinsmiths	20
Operator	1	Tobacconist	1
Oysterman	1	Trunkmaker	1
Oyster openers	5	Typesetters	2
Paperfolder	1	Tobacco stripper	1
Peddlers	61	Tobacco caser	1
Picture frame makers	2	Upholsterers	6
Painters	51	Umbrellamakers	2
Printers	56	Undertaker	1
Plumbers	25	Varnishers	11
Plasterers	8	Waiters	67
Pottery	1	Whitewashers	6
Porters	7	Wood Carvers	3
Papermakers	2	Watchmaker	1
Piano maker	1	Wire workers	2
Polishers	2	Weavers	6
Packers,	2		
Carried forward	1327	Total	1634

TABLE M.

Occupations of the Female Convicts received during year ending December 31, 1879.

Astrologer	1	Brought forward	269
Bagmaker	1	Midwives	2
Boxmaker	2	Milliners	2
Bookfolders	1	Nurse	1
Children	3	Operators	7
Cigarmaker	1	Peddler	1
Carpet sewer	1	Saleswomen	1
Cooks	22	Seamstress	16
Domestics	132	Stewardess	1
Dressmakers	11	Shirtmaker	1
Feather curlers	1	Tailoress	3
Housekeepers	63	Tobacco packers	2
Hoop-skirt makers	1	Tobacco stripper	1
Laundresses	28	Waitress	3
Lacemaker	1		
Carried forward	269	Total	310

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WORK-HOUSE, B. I.

JANUARY 1, 1880.

HON. TOWNSEND COX,

President Department of

Public Charities and Correction.

SIR.—I have the honor to submit herewith my Annual Report of the operations of this Institution for the year ending December 31, 1879.

The statements hereto annexed fully detail the transactions for the year.

TABLE A—Shows the cost per inmate per day and month, including provisions, clothing and bedding, salaries and all articles charged by the Store Department to this Institution during the year.

For Provisions	$30,476 96
" Clothing and Bedding	6,017 57
" Salaries	14,086 49
" Fuel	2,317 14
" Miscellaneous Articles	6,273 04
Total	$59,171 20

TABLE B—Census Report for the year, showing the number remaining December 31, 1878, number received, discharged, eloped and died, also number transferred and returned to and from other Institutions, and the number remaining on Registers December 31, 1879, with statement showing how and where such numbers were distributed.

TABLE C—Statement of clothing, &c., made in tailor shop for this and other Institutions in the Department during the year.

TABLE D—Statement of clothing and bedding made in sewing room during the year.

TABLE E—Shows number of shoes and slippers made, boots and shoes repaired in shoe shop, articles made and repaired in harness shop, clothing, &c., repaired in tailor shop and sewing room during the year.

TABLE F—Abstract of Ledger Accounts, showing the cost of different articles charged by the Store Department to this Institution during the year.

TABLES G and H—Male and Female Labor Report, showing the total number of days' labor performed by the inmates of this Institution during the year.

TABLE I—Shows the number of days' labor supplied to other Institutions during the year.

TABLES K AND L—Statements of the number of elopements and deaths at the various Institutions in the Department.

The whole number of prisoners received during the year were 16,408 against 17,860 during the previous year, showing a decrease of 1,452. Of the number received, 10,000 were transferred as help to other Institutions; and deducting this number, together with the number of patients in Hospital, we had left about 5,800—a much less number than the previous year—for active labor about the Institution.

During the year 561 patients were treated in Hospital of this Institution, and only 136 were transferred to Charity Hospital, thus carrying out the idea of your Honorable Board, as far as possible, in caring for our own sick, and preventing the association of Workhouse prisoners with the patients at Charity Hospital.

During the year your Honorable Board ordered new Patent Water Closets placed in each of the Hospitals, which I consider a great improvement, especially on the female side, where the closet was in the ward. As now arranged, it is in the adjoining cell, a door having been cut through the dividing wall, which, with the new closets, prevents any unpleasant odor from permeating the air in the ward that is inhaled by the patients.

Your Honorable Board also ordered that the roof of the wings in which the cells are built to be covered with tin. The male prison having been finished, I find it a great improvement, as there are now no leaks through the cells on the third and sixth tiers, as formerly, when the slate roof was in a bad condition.

The general health of the inmates has been good, and we have had but 35 deaths at this Institution during the year. Dr. A. R. Mott,

Jr., attended to the medical wants for the first six months of the year, when he was transferred to the Infants Hospital, and Dr. H. W. Lilly, his assistant, assigned to duty in his place.

But two boys under 16 years of age have been received, and they were returned to the committing Magistrate, as per your instructions, to be sent to some juvenile asylum or reformatory. The following table shows the number of male and female prisoners received during the year under the age of 19 years:

	Male.	Female.
14 to 15 years	2	1
16 to 19 "	445	215
Total	447	216

The workings of the gangs outside have been faithfully looked after by Deputy Superintendent Daly, and my thanks are specially due to him for his active efforts and hearty co-operation with me in everything beneficial to the Institution. The duties of the laundry have been looked after by Mrs. Dunne, who, with an average of thirty-eight help, has turned out about 9,000 pieces weekly, for the City Prison, Lunatic Asylum and Work-house.

Father Requier, together with the Rev. Messrs. Searles and French, have attended to the spiritual welfare of the inmates.

The Matron, Mrs. Fitzsimmons, has paid strict attention to her duties, as a reference to Table D will show. Mrs. Grow and Sullers have been faithful in the discharge of their duties as female hall-keepers. To the other employees I desire to return my sincere thanks for their strict attention to their respective duties and the uniform and ready compliance with which my orders have been carried out.

In conclusion, I desire to heartily thank your Hon. Board for the facilities rendered, and the support given by each member to aid me in the management of the Institution.

Very respectfully

ANTHONY ALLAIRE,

Superintendent.

TABLE B.

Census Report of Work-house, B. I., for the year ending December 31, 1879.

	Males.	Females.	Total.
Number remaining December 31, 1878	523	461	984
Number received during the year	7680	8728	16408
Number returned during the year	3505	6860	10365
Total	11708	16049	27757
Number discharged during the year	7741	8693	16434
" eloped " "	42	6	48
" died " "	30	31	61
" transferred " "	3441	6911	10352
Total	11254	15641	26895
Number remaining at W. H., December 31, 1879	454	408	862
" " at other Institutions, Dec. 31, 1879	370	438	803
Total on Registers December 31, 1879	824	846	1670

TABLE B—*Continued,*

Showing how and where the number remaining on Registers December 31, *were distributed.*

	Help.		Patients.		Total.
	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	
Charity Hospital, B. I.	..	55	2	10	67
Bellevue Hospital	3	35	..	..	38
Branch Lunatic Asylum, H. I.	13	13	..	..	26
Randall's Island Hospital, R. I.	20	69	..	..	89
Randall's Island Farm, R. I.	15	..	..	..	15
Hart's Island Hospital, H. I.	..	20	1	..	21
Lunatic Asylum, B. I.	33	22	..	..	55
Maternity Hospital, B. I.	..	..	..	..	..
Alms House, B. I.	..	38	14	16	68
Infants Hospital, R. I.	13	52	..	..	65
N. Y. City Asylum for Insane, W. I.	54	38	..	..	92
Branch Work-house, H. I.	173	17	..	..	190
Homœopathic Hospital, W. I.	28	53	1	..	82
Work-house, B. I.	454	408	..	..	862
Total	806	820	18	26	1670

Work-

Table Cloths.	TOTAL.
4	3273
...	5044
...	36
...	2100
...	24
...	2429
...	11061
...	4901
...	324
...	26
...	49
...	1279
...	80
...	254
...	17
2	3798
6	34695

TABLE C.

Table showing Quantities of Clothing, &c., made for the several Institutions in charge of the Commissioners of Charities and Correction, at Tailor-Shop, Work-house, B. I., for the year ending December 31, 1879.

INSTITUTIONS.	Men's Winter Pants.	Men's Summer Pants.	Men's Jackets.	Men's Vests.	Boys' Pants.	Boys' Jackets.	Boys' Suits.	Suits of Clothing.	Men's Overcoats.	Restraining Jackets.	Restraining Dresses.	Hospital Gowns.	Blouses.	Awnings.	Boat Covers.	Total.
Bellevue Hospital	100	50	50	....	25	25	....	14	2	60	....	76	....	..	..	402
Charity Hospital, B.I.	100	175	25	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	..	..	300
City Prison	100	100	50	....	....	....	12	....	....	....	....	....	....	..	..	262
Hart's Island Hospital, H.I.	50	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	..	..	50
Branch Work-house, H.I.	100	300	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	..	..	400
Insane Asylum, W.I.	1050	900	1153	300	....	....	....	....	....	12	....	....	....	..	..	3415
Lunatic Asylum, B.I.	48	24	24	....	....	....	....	1	....	48	24	....	....	..	..	169
Store Department, B.I.	4	1	....	1	....	....	....	6	1	....	....	....	....	5	2	20
Homœopathic Hospital, W.I.	125	100	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	..	..	226
Randall's Island Hospital, R.I.	400	400	600	....	425	425	350	2	....	12	....	....	....	..	..	614
Infants Hospital, R.I.	24	....	12	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	..	..	36
Branch Lunatic Asylum, H.I.	....	27	12	....	....	....	....	....	....	8	12	....	....	..	..	59
Work-house, B.I.	451	500	181	....	....	....	....	4	....	6	....	....	....	..	..	1142
Total	2552	2577	2107	301	450	450	362	27	3	146	36	76	1	5	2	9095

RECAPITULATION.

Men's Winter Pants	2552	Brought forward	8826
Men's Summer Pants	2577	Men's Overcoats	3
Men's Jackets	2107	Restraining Jackets	146
Men's Vests	301	Restraining Dresses	36
Boys' Pants	450	Hospital Gowns	76
Boys' Jackets	450	Blouses	1
Boys' Suits	362	Awnings	5
Suits of Clothing	27	Boat Covers	2
Carried forward	8826	Total	9095

TABLE E.

Abstract showing the number of Shoes, &c., Made and Repaired at Shoe Shop, articles Made and Repaired at Harness Shop, and Statement of Clothing, &c., Repaired at Sewing Room and Tailor Shop, Work-house, B. I., for the year ending December 31, 1879.

INSTITUTIONS.	MADE.				REPAIRED.	
	Women's Shoes.	Women's Slippers.	Men's Shoes.	Child's Shoes.	Shoes.	Boots.
Work-house, B. I	5	15	62	..	1977	..
Lunatic Asylum, B. I	..	..	..	..	58	7
N. Y. City Asylum for Insane, W. I	..	..	1	..	1193	..
Randall's Island Hospital, R. I	..	..	4	..	1281	..
Charity Hospital, B. I	..	..	..	..	369	28
Bellevue Hospital	..	..	27	4	83	12
Infants Hospital, R. I	..	..	..	..	117	..
Randall's Island Farm, R. I	..	..	..	..	44	..
Hart's Island Hospital, H. I	..	..	2	..	4	..
Store Department	500	750	363	..	..	..
Central Office	..	..	2	..	5	..
Total	505	765	461	4	5131	47

TAILOR SHOP.

REPAIRED.

Pair Men's Pants	2433
Men's Jackets	1258
Men's Overcoats	14
Pair Men's Mittens	47
Suits of Clothing	9
Strait Jackets	31
Restraining Dress	1
Flags	6
Awning	1
Horse Blankets	6
" Covers	1
Total	3807

SEWING ROOM.

REPAIRED.

Women's Dresses	7449
Women's Chemises	3039
Women's Petticoats	285
Men's Shirts	7004
Men's Pants	1102
Men's Caps	119
Men's Mittens	146
Pillow Ticks	330
Bed Ticks	6
Sheets	12
Pairs Women's Stockings	216
Total	19708

HARNESS SHOP.

MADE.

Sets Wagon Harness	5
Pair Wristlets	30
Restraining Straps	145
Restraining Muffs	24
Restraining Belts	6
Restraining Gloves	24
Shoe Straps	50
Pair Lines	4
Dutch Collar	1
Saddle Pads	10
Mail Bags	14
Breeching Straps	48
Hame Straps	36
Hose Straps	7
Halters	12
Pair Traces	1
Total	417

REPAIRED.

Traces	55
Sets Harness	8
Lines	48
Collars	47
" Breast	4
Saddles	45
Bridles	13
Hames	11
Breechings	52
Bed Strap	1
Restraining Straps	6
Belly Bands	6
Restraining Belts	3
Restraining Muffs	16
Pair Wristlets	1
Saddle Pads	1
Horse Blankets	15
Buffalo Robes	2
Total	334

UPHOLSTERERS.

MADE.

Hair Mattresses	51
Hair Pillows	150
Total	201

REPAIRED.

Mattresses	7
Pillows	46
Cushions	4
Total	57

TABLE F.

Abstract Ledger Accounts Work-house, B. I., for the year ending December 31, 1879.

MONTHS.	Provisions.	Clothing.	Bedding.	Lumber.	Hardware.	Paints and Oils, Including Glass.	Fuel.	Lights.	Crockery.	Iron and Steel.	Tin and Tinware.	Leather and Findings.	Brooms and Brushes.	Lime and Cement	Soap and Materials.	Horse Feed and Use of Horses.	Miscellaneous.	Surgical Instruments.	TOTALS.
	$ c.	$ c.	$ c.	$ c.	$ c.	$ c.	$ c.	$ c.	$ c.	$ c.	$ c.	$ c.	$ c.	$ c.	$ c.	$ c.	$ c.	$ c.	$ c.
January	2694 42	929 42	49 81	29 32	32 69	21 35	299 01	95 74	3 75	5 18	19 78	14 02	24 32	6 81	59 41	6 25	19 24	....	4310 52
February	2283 00	319 74	161 49	13 03	31 20	15 15	355 03	54 60	6 74	5 05	7 62	60 20	16 29	16 27	51 41	5 25	83 24	18 87	3504 18
March	2184 74	234 99	25 11	11 93	58 29	8 38	238 96	65 23	10 06	....	3 50	64 88	9 50	4 08	59 97	7 50	31 67	....	3018 79
April	2170 41	216 02	35 01	39 46	48 41	10 13	243 69	57 00	....	....	1 74	....	12 77	26 35	55 01	7 00	79 44	....	3002 44
May	2380 88	137 32	5 46	....	34 64	29 73	143 58	37 82	5 94	....	6 36	53 24	9 05	10 91	59 28	9 25	149 58	2 55	3075 59
June	2186 18	156 60	73 22	34 20	23 42	8 90	69 56	18 53	....	....	59	61 72	23 20	18 27	58 70	3 25	82 15	7 51	2826 00
July	2669 08	310 44	16 68	....	25 36	23 16	73 02	40 32	40 98	....	10 23	84	20 38	16 60	81 12	9 75	199 88	6 58	3544 42
August	2501 65	380 11	51 74	18 42	21 34	16 20	65 17	45 91	....	....	8 50	68 44	7 78	20 05	58 61	7 75	62 05	....	3333 72
September	2660 15	128 46	38 23	21 73	19 50	22 42	76 10	25 15	2 63	....	12 18	13 23	11 00	14 23	48 82	4 50	17 73	5 63	3121 69
October	2632 77	273 38	14 97	54 91	61 26	31 62	140 07	37 79	21 17	1 79	219 41	63 26	17 98	13 76	55 85	9 00	109 91	19 88	3778 78
November	2816 30	453 47	23 54	....	20 59	2 93	254 22	61 63	60	8 45	9 20	....	15 00	....	56 47	5 50	339 22	9 37	4076 49
December	3297 38	407 36	1575 00	45 15	42 98	39 24	358 73	52 63	6 89	31 43	145 86	86 49	16 35	31 95	69 00	25 50	1260 15	....	7492 09
Total	30476 96	3947 31	2070 26	268 15	419 68	229 21	2317 14	592 35	98 76	51 90	444 97	486 32	183 62	179 28	713 65	100 50	2434 26	70 39	45084 71

TABLE G.

Male Labor Report, Work-house, B. I., for the year ending December 31, 1879.

MONTHS.	Steamboats.	Bakery.	Stables.	Store Department.	Work-house Carpenters.	Alms-house Shops.	Paint Shop.	Blacksmith Shop.	Engine Room & Gas House.	Barber Shop.	Male Hall.	Scrub Gang.	Cor. Riggers.
	No. Days.	No. Days.	No. Days.	No. Days.	No. Days.	No. Days.	No. Days.	No. Days.	No. Days.	No. Days.	No. Days.	No. Days.	No. Days.
January	1161	1875	397	631	39	388	53	26	434	111	650	1041	30
February	1013	1602	337	545	46	345	33	23	419	89	625	906	45
March	1095	1744	358	525	50	260	34	25	485	111	556	815	49
April	941	1641	383	571	49	237	28	25	434	89	498	679	58
May	720	1635	364	575	34	203	52	25	425	67	504	705	51
June	761	1627	305	571	40	250	34	32	435	49	477	617	72
July	656	1667	308	649	44	195	52	39	465	72	498	698	88
August	632	1626	306	699	52	227	30	28	459	77	493	723	33
September	809	1592	232	637	56	249	46	26	447	84	464	642	43
October	846	1699	276	505	49	247	52	27	459	50	694	694	87
November	906	1670	268	563	23	198	32	48	449	66	691	697	81
December	1000	1779	363	640	36	224	60	52	465	98	714	761	61
Total	10540	20157	3897	7111	518	3023	506	376	5376	963	6864	8978	704

TABLE G—*Continued.*

MONTHS.	Gardeners.	Kitchen.	Island Improvement.	Lunatic Asylum.	Bellevue Hospital.	Cutting Room.	Tailor Shop.	Shoe Shop.	Harness Shop.	Weavers.	Upholsterers.	Total.
	No. Days.	No. Days.	No. Days.	No. Days.	No. Days.	No. Days.	No. Days.	No. Days.	No. Days.	No. Days.	No. Days.	
January	817	598	1955	247	62	158	334	378	102	26	19	11532
February	1047	565	2286	246	248	138	270	389	65	23	8	11313
March	928	609	1931	231	284	109	224	378	97	25	20	10943
April	541	584	1326	111	340	92	183	220	75	20	20	9145
May	1042	588	1538	55	236	61	182	309	30	13	39	9453
June	1090	522	1510	42	26	29	140	372	25	21	14	9061
July	877	552	1290	310	48	53	181	384	25	11	5	9167
August	872	590	1490	433	31	88	181	472	37	..	24	9605
September	1182	572	1840	274	44	135	129	386	67	24	9	9991
October	1232	556	1900	226	123	142	111	404	45	3	27	10454
November	1015	567	1451	230	253	118	86	452	1	..	21	9886
December	1053	592	1548	280	240	128	220	506	26	3	25	10874
Total	11696	6895	20065	2685	1935	1251	2241	4650	595	169	231	121424

TABLE G.

Male Labor Report, Work-house, B. I., for the year ending December 31, 1879.

MONTHS.	Steamboats.	Bakery.	Stables.	Store Department.	Work-house Carpenters.	Alms-house Shops.	Paint Shop.	Blacksmith Shop.	Engine Room & Gas House.	Barber Shop.	Male Hall.	Scrub Gang.	Cot Riggers.
	No. Days.	No. Days.	No. Days.	No. Days.	No. Days.	No. Days.	No. Days.	No. Days.	No. Days.	No. Days.	No. Days.	No. Days.	No. Days.
January	1161	1875	397	631	39	388	53	26	434	111	650	1041	30
February	1013	1602	337	545	46	345	33	23	419	89	625	906	45
March	1095	1744	358	525	50	260	34	25	485	111	556	815	49
April	941	1641	383	571	49	237	28	25	434	89	498	679	58
May	720	1635	364	575	34	203	52	25	425	67	504	705	51
June	761	1627	305	571	40	250	34	32	435	49	477	617	72
July	656	1667	308	649	44	195	52	39	465	72	498	698	88
August	632	1626	306	699	52	227	30	28	459	77	493	723	35
September	809	1592	232	637	56	249	46	26	447	84	464	642	45
October	846	1699	276	505	49	247	52	27	459	50	694	694	87
November	906	1670	268	563	23	198	32	48	449	66	691	697	81
December	1000	1779	363	640	36	224	60	52	465	98	714	761	61
Total	10540	20157	3897	7111	518	3023	506	376	5376	963	6864	8978	702

TABLE G—*Continued.*

MONTHS.	Gardeners.	Kitchen.	Island Improvement.	Lunatic Asylum.	Bellevue Hospital.	Cutting Room.	Tailor Shop.	Shoe Shop.	Harness Shop.	Weavers.	Upholsterers.	Total.
	No. Days.	No. Days.	No. Days.	No. Days.	No. Days.	No. Days.	No. Days.	No. Days.	No. Days.	No. Days.	No. Days.	
January	817	598	1955	247	62	158	334	378	102	26	19	11533
February	1047	565	2286	246	248	138	270	389	65	23	8	11313
March	928	609	1931	231	284	109	224	378	97	25	20	10943
April	541	584	1326	111	340	92	183	220	75	20	20	9145
May	1042	588	1538	55	236	61	182	309	30	13	39	9453
June	1090	522	1510	42	26	29	140	372	25	21	14	9061
July	877	552	1290	310	48	53	181	384	25	11	5	9167
August	872	590	1490	433	31	88	181	472	37	..	24	9605
September	1182	572	1840	274	44	135	129	386	67	24	9	9991
October	1232	556	1900	226	123	142	111	404	45	3	27	10454
November	1015	567	1451	230	253	118	86	452	1	..	21	9886
December	1053	592	1548	280	240	128	220	506	26	3	25	10874
Total	11696	6895	20065	2685	1935	1251	2241	4650	595	169	231	121424

TABLE H.

Female Labor Report, Work-house, B. I., for the year ending December 31, 1879.

Months.	Sewing Room.					Laundry.		Female Hall.										Total.
	Sewing.	Knitting.	Repairing.	Binding Shoes.	Sewing Rags.	Washing.	Ironing.	Waitresses in Dining Rooms.	Scrubbers.	Tier Women.	Sundry Work.	Tailor Shop.	Bakery.	Steamboats.	Lunatic Asylum.	Maternity Hospital.	Alms House.	
	No. Days.	No. Days.	No. Days.	No. Days.	No. Days.	No. Days.	No. Days.	No. Days.	No. Days.	No. Days.	No. Days.	No. Days.	No. Days.	No. Days.	No. Days.	No. Days.	No. Days.	
January.	2272	1048	260	....	33	940	82	248	936	186	714	653	93	744	677	182	246	9314
Feb.....	2191	920	230	....	63	862	78	224	864	168	728	698	84	692	600	115	292	8809
March ..	1879	790	236	39	83	976	51	248	966	188	595	408	93	749	680	156	401	8538
April....	1548	688	200	24	80	908	67	240	936	180	580	473	90	720	658	115	400	7907
May....	1693	708	208	12	130	1003	97	186	1008	155	735	462	93	258	682	116	479	8025
June...	1888	806	200	12	120	970	96	180	900	150	575	609	90	60	660	112	444	7852
July....	1924	618	200	18	120	863	83	186	936	155	735	508	93	62	682	103	427	7713
August.	2097	779	208	17	164	952	87	186	950	155	745	398	93	62	682	67	476	8118
Sept....	1735	968	208	20	208	996	70	240	936	155	750	824	90	60	670	180	451	8561
October.	1716	894	216	...	56	836	84	241	972	155	1372	1024	90	62	695	172	456	9041
Nov....	1294	513	192	....	45	917	77	240	900	150	1326	664	90	60	688	193	446	7795
Dec.....	1534	520	208	....	....	1012	84	233	972	155	1395	880	93	62	651	186	488	8473
Total..	21771	9252	2566	142	1102	11215	956	2652	11276	1952	10250	7601	1092	3591	8025	1697	5006	100146

TABLE K.

Statement showing the number of Inmates of the Work-house, B. I., eloped from the various Institutions during the year ending December 31, 1879.

INSTITUTIONS.	January.		February.		March.		April.		May.		June.		July.		August.		September.		October.		November.		December.		TOTAL.	
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
Bellevue Hospital	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	1	....	....	....	1	....	2	2
Randall's Island Hospital, R. I.	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	1
" " Farm, R. I.	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	2	....
Lunatic Asylum, B. I.	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	....
Alms House, B. I.	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	1
Infants Hospital, R. I.	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	2	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	2
Insane Asylum, W. I.	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	....
Homœopathic Hospital, W. I.	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	2	....
Steamboats	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	1	....	1	....	2	....	....	....	2	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	8	....
Store Department	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	2	....
Bakery	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	2	....
Work-house, B. I.	....	....	8	....	....	....	3	....	3	....	2	....	2	....	1	....	1	....	1	....	....	....	1	....	22	....
Total	....	....	9	....	....	....	4	3	5	1	5	1	7	....	4	1	3	....	3	....	....	....	2	....	42	6

December 31, 1879.

INSTITUTIONS.	January.		February.		March.		April.		May.		June.		July.		August.		September.		October.		November.		December.		TOTAL.	
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	M.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
Bell vue Hospital	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Randall's Island Hospital, R. I.	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
" " Farm, R. I.	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Lunatic Asylum, B. I	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	1
Alms-house, B. I	....	1	2	....	1	....	1	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	4	2
Infants Hospital, R. I.	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Insane Asylum, W. I.	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Homœopathic Hospital, W. I.	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	1
Hart's Island Hospital, H. I	2	....	....	....	....	....	2	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	2	....	....	....	....	....	....	5	2
Branch Work-house, H. I.	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	....
Charity Hospital, B. I.	1	3	....	....	....	1	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	1	....	1	....	....	....	1	3	7
Work-house, B. I.	2	....	2	1	1	2	1	2	3	3	2	3	1	1	1	1	....	1	....	....	1	2	2	3	16	19
Branch Lunatic Asylum, H. I.	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Total	5	4	4	1	2	3	4	4	4	3	2	3	2	2	1	1	2	4	....	1	1	2	2	4	29	32

BRANCH WORK-HOUSE, H. I.

JANUARY 1, 1880.

HON. TOWNSEND COX,

President Board of Commissioners of

Public Charities and Correction.

SIR.—According to custom, I submit herewith the report of Branch Work-house for the year 1879.

The tables of statistics appended give in detail the operations of the Institution for the year just ended.

In my report of last year I stated that owing to the erection of two pavilions for insane on the southern portion of the island, many intended improvements at this Institution were delayed. The same remarks hold good at the present writing, and the work now in progress on a building of larger dimensions than either of those erected to be used for a similar purpose, is drawing away labor which could be used to great advantage for the benefit of this Institution and its surroundings.

However, without materially interfering with the progress of the work on the afore-mentioned buildings, it is a source of gratification to me to state that some important improvements have been made, among which may be mentioned the erection of a commodious and substantial ice-house, 50 feet long, 16 feet wide, and 16 feet high, for the use of the several institutions on this island; raising and sheathing, inside and outside, of a building 47 feet x 19 feet, with two wings, each 17x12; likewise a building 100 feet x 31 feet, underneath which has been built two cellars, each 40 feet long, 26 feet wide, and 8 feet 6 inches high, which are intended to be used for the storing of vegetables and provisions. With the exception of two, all the buildings connected with this Institution, nineteen in number, are now in good condition, being provided with good stone foundations and tin roofs, and preparations are now being made to repair the two aforesaid.

Among the recommendations made by me to your Honorable Board in my last report, were, that supplies of rubble stone be sent here from Blackwell's Island when practicable, in order to facilitate the work going on on this island, and the adoption of iron cots, instead of the iron bedsteads with straw mattresses then in use. I am happy to state that both recommendations were promptly acquiesced in—the stone being furnished as needed, and two buildings being already supplied with iron cots.

Owing to the limited dock facilities at the southern end of the island all the coal needed for the two institutions located there, had to be unloaded at this dock, the consequence of which was, that teams have to be engaged in drawing the coal from this yard to those institutions as needed. The teams could be more profitably employed were it not for this drawback, and I would, therefore, again set before your Honorable Board the necessity of either extending the dock now used by those institutions, or building a dock on the southeastern shore.

In compliance with the resolution of your Honorable Board, dated June 14th, 1879, all requisitions from Hart's Island Hospital and Branch Lunatic Asylum for labor have been promptly met.

No elopements took place during the year—a very gratifying circumstance to relate—which may be attributed to the presence of a Water Guard who was appointed July 12th on my recommendation.

The supplies necessary for the proper maintenance and well-being of the Institution and its inmates have been promptly furnished.

The health of the inmates has been good, no deaths having occurred during the year. Dr. A. B. Heath, Assistant Physician at Hart's Island Hospital, attended to their medical wants daily.

Rev. Father Michel and Rev. Marinus Willett attended to the spiritual necessities of their respective denominations.

Very respectfully,

LAURENCE DUNPHY,

Warden.

TABLE A.

Admissions, Discharges, Transfers, etc., during the year 1879.

Months.	Admissions.			Discharges.			Transfers.			Elopements.			Deaths.		
	Men.	Women.	Total.	Men.	Women.	Total.	Men.	Women.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.
January	100	10	110	66	6	72	43	4	47	....	....	....	....	....	....
February	73	10	83	57	6	63	30	7	37	....	....	....	....	....	....
March	75	19	94	83	13	96	32	6	38	....	....	....	....	....	....
April	48	9	57	68	7	75	34	8	42	....	....	....	....	....	....
May	114	5	119	49	5	54	35	2	37	....	....	....	....	....	....
June	57	13	70	37	9	46	34	2	36	....	....	....	....	....	....
July	97	9	106	46	5	51	26	4	30	....	....	....	....	....	....
August	94	12	106	47	7	54	29	7	36	....	....	....	....	....	....
September	84	16	100	53	8	61	19	6	25	....	....	....	....	....	....
October	53	7	60	67	3	70	31	2	33	....	....	....	....	....	....
November	96	4	100	49	4	53	15	2	17	....	....	....	....	....	....
December	96	15	111	63	11	74	27	4	31	....	....	....	....	....	....
	987	129	1116	685	84	769	355	54	409	....	....	....	....	....	....

RECAPITULATION.

	Males.	Females.	Total.
Remaining December 31, 1878	231	27	258
Admitted during 1879	987	129	1,116
	1,218	156	1,374

	Males.	Females.	Total.
Discharged	685	84	769
Returned to Work-house	355	54	409

	1,040	138	1,178
Remaining December 31, 1879	178	18	196

As Follows:

	Males.	Females.
Work-house help	173	17
Inmates	5	1
	178	18

TABLE B.

Statement of the Crop raised at Branch Work-house, H. I., during the year 1879.

290	bushels	Onions.	
12	"	Peas.	
25	"	Spinach.	
28	"	Radishes.	
20	"	Kohlrabi.	
13	"	String Beans.	
278	"	Potatoes.	
204	"	Beets.	
410	"	Carrots.	
134	"	Tomatoes.	
668	bushels	Turnips.	
150	"	Parsnips.	
2000	heads	Cabbage.	
9500	"	Lettuce.	
26000	plants	Celery.	
900	"	Salsify.	
4900	"	Leeks.	
2200	ears	Sweet Corn.	
7700	"	Field Corn.	
94	bushels	Shallots.	

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	c.
2	34
3	18
0	80
3	38
2	09
4	29
9	08
8	51
7	10
3	14
9	97
4	02
7	90
0	65

TABLE C.

Showing cause of Commitment of Work-house Help at Branch Work-house, H. I., during 1879.

Months.	Disorderly Conduct.		Assault and Battery.		Intoxication.		Vagrancy.		Habitual Drunkenness.		Abandonment.		Destitution.		Totals.	
	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.
January	44	7	.....	.....	1	.....	5	1	1	.....	.....	.....	49	2	100	10
February	44	7	.....	.....	.....	.....	6	1	2	.....	.....	.....	21	2	73	10
March	37	17	.....	.....	2	.....	9	.....	1	.....	1	.....	25	2	75	19
April	24	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	19	3	48	9
May	80	5	2	.....	5	.....	7	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	18	.....	114	5
June	32	12	.....	.....	.....	.....	6	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	19	.....	57	13
July	64	7	.....	.....	1	.....	9	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	22	2	97	9
August	74	11	.....	.....	1	.....	3	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	16	.....	94	12
September	67	16	.....	.....	1	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	13	.....	84	16
October	43	7	.....	.....	1	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	7	.....	53	7
November	69	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	23	.....	96	4
December	66	12	.....	.....	3	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	20	2	91	14
Total	644	111	2	.....	15	.....	57	4	9	.....	3	.....	252	13	982	128

CITY CEMETERY.

HART'S ISLAND, January 1, 1880.

HON. TOWNSEND COX,

President Board of Commissioners of

Public Charities and Correction.

SIR.—The Tenth Annual Report of City Cemetery is respectfully submitted.

The tabulated statement appended shows a total of 2,381 bodies interred, of which 15 were interred in separate graves, and 5 in "Soldiers' Plot." Twenty-five disinterments took place during the year, for removal to private cemeteries, such disinterments being made on Board of Health permits endorsed by the Department.

The fact that the majority of male help at Branch Work-house were employed at Branch Lunatic Asylum and New Pavilion prevented much progress being made in reclaiming ground to render it fit for burial purposes.

Reno Post, No. 44, G. A. R., as usual, visited the Cemetery on "Decoration Day," accompanied by a number of invited guests, among whom were Commissioners Brennan and Hess, and Messrs. John E. Flagler and Robert M. Hedden—Hon. Silas Dutcher being the orator on the occasion.

Very respectfully,

LAURENCE DUNPHY,

Warden.

DETAILED STATEMENT OF INTERMENTS

In City Cemetery, Hart's Island, and whence received, during the year 1879.

MONTHS.	Out-Door Poor.	New York Hospital.	St. Francis' Hospital.	St. Luke's Hospital.	St. Vincent's Hospital.	German Hospital.	Roosevelt Hospital.	Colored Home.	Mount Sinai Hospital.	Presbyterian Hospital.	City Prison.	House of Relief.	St. Joseph's Infirmary.	Magdalen Asylum.	Emergency Hospital.	Nursery and Child's Hospital.	N. Y. Infant Asylum.	N. Y. Hospital for Women.	Morgue.	Bellevue Hospital.	Foundling Asylum.	99th Street Hospital.	Riverside Hospital, B. I.	Charity Hospital, B. I.	Maternity Hospital, B.I.	Epileptic and Paralytic Hospitals, R. I.	Work-house, B. I.	Lunatic Asylum, B. I.	Alms-house, B. I.	Penitentiary, B. I.	N. Y. City Asylum for Insane, W. I.	Homœopathic Hospital, W. I.	Randall's Island Hospital.	Branch Charity Hospital, R. I.	Branch N. Y. City Asylum for Insane, R. I.	Branch Lunatic Asylum, H. I.	Hart's Island Hospital.	TOTAL.
January	64	4	1	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	2	..	..	1	10	10	..	..	3	4	..	..	1	2	2	..	8	..	..	..	..	14	132
February	65	4	4	2	1	1	2	7	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	2	2	..	13	22	18	..	1	14	2	..	3	2	4	1	1	5	..	..	1	..	2	182
March	76	1	3	..	1	..	3	7	1	..	..	..	..	..	3	3	1	..	17	21	16	1	1	25	4	1	1	1	25	1	4	4	..	..	..	1	6	22
April	54	3	6	..	..	1	1	6	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	2	1	..	22	21	23	..	1	20	1	..	5	1	14	..	2	13	..	1	..	2	7	209
May	61	4	5	..	1	1	1	12	1	1	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	24	21	15	..	2	20	7	..	4	5	8	..	4	9	1	..	..	1	7	217
June	70	5	4	..	..	2	2	7	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	1	..	32	14	25	2	4	19	2	1	4	5	9	..	4	8	1	1	..	..	7	232
July	109	5	2	..	2	1	2	9	..	1	..	..	..	..	6	2	1	..	18	25	48	1	8	16	6	..	3	4	13	..	4	9	..	1	..	..	6	302
August	84	9	..	..	1	4	..	9	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	3	..	..	18	16	41	2	1	18	..	..	1	2	9	..	3	5	..	2	..	2	8	240
September	76	8	2	..	2	1	..	4	2	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	1	1	10	12	32	..	1	10	3	..	1	3	6	..	2	7	2	1	..	1	8	199
October	57	5	1	..	..	3	..	7	1	1	..	1	4	..	4	..	1	..	14	6	27	..	1	14	..	1	..	1	9	1	4	8	3	..	..	1	1	176
November	60	2	2	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	1	1	3	3	2	..	10	7	16	..	3	8	3	..	..	..	1	1	1	1	..	..	..	2	2	133
December	56	2	2	..	..	2	1	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	..	4	6	24	..	1	10	..	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	11	131
Total	832	52	32	2	8	16	12	80	5	5	2	1	5	1	26	22	11	1	183	181	295	6	24	177	32	3	22	26	102	6	29	77	7	6	1	12	79	2381

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BRANCH LUNATIC ASYLUM, H. I.

JANUARY 1, 1880.

HON. TOWNSEND COX,

President of Department of

Public Charities and Correction.

SIR.—I have the honor to submit the Third Annual Report of this Institution.

I take the opportunity to explain, very briefly, for the purposes of information and record, the origin, growth, and gradual organization of the Asylum.

On May 31st, 1877, your Honorable Board, compelled to devise some means to relieve, in part at least, the overcrowded Asylum on Blackwell's Island, directed that four of the pavilions on the northerly end of the island, forming a part of the Branch Work-house, be emptied and prepared for the reception of insane women.

On June 23d of the same year, 50 patients were transferred to these buildings, and were followed by 25 more on the 3d of the following July, and on October 10th of the same year 20 more were sent.

Dr. J. S. Christison, who accompanied those first transferred, remained in professional charge until July 13th, when he was relieved by Dr. Geo. W. Fuller, who continued on duty until September 17th, 1877. At this date Dr. Armaud Dufloo, then Resident Physician to Hart's Island Hospital, took the patients under his professional charge, and continued their care until October 5th, 1878.

During all this time Mr. L. Dunphy, Warden of the Branch Workhouse, had acted as Warden of the Branch Asylum.

The patients on January 1st, 1878, numbered 88.

On the said October 5th, 1878, a large new pavilion, situated at the southerly end of the island, having approached near to completion, and 70 more patients being shortly expected, it was deemed advisable to have the undivided services of a medical man for the growing Asylum, and Dr. Wm. W. Jackson was appointed, with the title of Resident Physician.

On the 6th of December, 30 patients arrived from Blackwell's Island, and on the 9th, 40 more. These, with 4 previously received to fill vacancies in pavilions at the northerly end of the island, and the 88 remaining on the first of the year, made the total on January 1st, 1879, one hundred and sixty-two.

On the fifth of the last said month, Dr. Wm. W. Jackson was transferred by your Hon. Board, to another field of professional labor, and your subscriber was appointed Medical Superintendent of this Institution.

As already stated, the number of patients on January 1, 1879, was 162. There were admitted during the year, 87. Total under treatment, 249. The discharges, transfers and deaths during the year numbered 19. The number remaining January 1, 1880, is 230.

Appended to this report will be found in tabulated form, many more items of information, but, as our patients have all been recently received from and reported by another institution, no attempt has been made to present complete statistics.

Inasmuch as the patients selected for transfer to this Institution are usually supposed to have little or no prospect of recovery, our past as well as near future statistics must chronicle very few curative results of treatment. That the tables attached to this report show two patients discharged well, argues error in prognosis rather than intentional liberality.

As our patients during the year herein treated of, were mostly impaired as to vitality, by chronic disease, it is satisfactory to know that the deaths numbered but 15, or 6.02 per cent. of the total number under treatment, or 8.15 per cent. of the average number resident.

There were but two patients transferred from the Institution during the year, and these were both returned to Blackwell's Island by order of your Hon. Board, upon application of friends.

SUICIDAL.

Our unpartitioned pavilions, with their guarded windows, perhaps furnish, with one exception, the safest possible accommodation for our numerous suicidal patients. At all hours of the day and night the eyes of the attendants can be upon all patients save the few who at any given moment may be in the dining-room, pantry or water closets, which places are expected to receive particular attention. The one exception to safety alluded to is the stoves used for heating purposes.

No serious suicidal attempt has been made during the year, save in the following case, in which the *intent* was doubtful. A demented woman swallowed a teaspoon which lodged in the outlet of the stomach (pylorus), caused ulceration in the intestine leading therefrom (duodenum), escaped into the cavity of the abdomen, and set up peritonitis which caused her death. The earlier symptoms bothered exact diagnosis, but autopsy revealed the unsuspected spoon in the cavity of the pelvis, close fellow with a darning needle.

There has been no important accident among the patients, nor any serious injury from violence.

From every form of epidemic disease our locality has been entirely free. Indeed, the environment of salt water, the absence of everything like a fresh water stream, the deep sandy loam soil, through which surface water passes with great rapidity, the conformity of the surface which tends to rapid drainage, all combine to make this island a residence of peculiar healthfulness in all respects save its bleakness.

RESTRAINT.

Although many of our patients have lately been tenants of the Lodge or Retreat on Blackwell's Island, all have been, through gratifying possibility and absolute necessity, cared for without our having a single room for seclusion, a single stationary chair for control, or restraining apparatus of any kind other than a few seldom used camisoles.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES.

The attendance upon these services has been very disadvantageously restricted by the limited chapel accommodation, and the satisfaction of the participants uniformly impaired by the odors and noises from the kitchen. A board partition insufficiently separates the two rooms. The odors of sanctity and cabbage are unfairly admixed. The melodeon's music is outmatched by that of the cook's coal-scuttle, and the invocations of the preacher and the profligate commingling rise.

AMUSEMENTS.

Checkers and dominoes, and a very limited supply of books and papers have, thus far, afforded all we could accomplish in this way. It is much to be regretted, however, that daily newspapers and pictorials are not obtainable to any liberal extent. The number of these annually destroyed by a single family would be of incalculable value to our patients.

WORK.

Knitting, sewing, bed-making, sweeping, scrubbing and dining-room work, in the wards and kitchen, helping and care of men's dormitories (all under supervision of attendants) have furnished quieting occupation and healthful exercise to our patients.

There have been knit 873 pairs of socks and stockings; new articles made have numbered 4959; articles repaired, 4937. The total of articles made and mended during the year was 10,769.

WALKING.

Twice a day, in all suitable weather, the patients have been taken out to walk; and when the temperature has permitted, they have spent much time sitting under the trees, in pleasant spots, enjoying the extensive water prospects, and watching the movements of steamboats and sailing craft, always so abundantly visible on the Sound.

SEA BATHING.

This has been ventured upon to a small extent, greatly to the delight of the patients indulged. They have been taken about 20 in a company, to a semicircular, sandy and very gradually sloping beach, where five attendants entered the water with them; one attendant keeping watch on the shore, and a guard-boat, containing two men, stationed outside the bathing line, in about six feet of water. Bathing suits were made in the pavilions.

NEW PAVILION, No. 2.

On April 23, the second new pavilion, then about completed, was opened and occupied by 81 patients from "The Hill." The remainder of the Hill patients were placed in New Pavilion, No. 1, increasing the number of its inmates to 81. The four hill pavilions thus vacated, were turned over by order of your Hon. Board, to Hart's Island Hospital, in exchange for two large old pavilions on the lower part of the island.

NEW KITCHEN.

The spacious kitchen under Pavilion No. 2, was put into operation on the day the pavilion was opened. The range with its three fire places, three ovens and large boiler has worked well. The tank erected outside the kitchen has proved itself able to supply the range boiler, but, owing to its small size, much vigilance is required

to keep it supplied with water. The two 60 gallon cauldrons for boiling soups, tea, coffee, &c., have done good work, but a 90 gallon one should now be added on account of the great increase in number to be cooked for.

CHIMNEY.

In my second quarterly report I made mention of the great need of a chimney for the kitchen fires and others which would soon be in use, and stated that the single and tortuous flue (the only one,) was already overtasked by five fires. Some time afterwards a foundation was laid for such chimney, but no further progress has been made. I regard this as a pressing necessity.

STORE ROOM.

This adjoins the kitchen; is large, light and airy. Goods began to be placed in it first on March 7th, but, from want of fixtures, it did not get into regular working order until near the time of opening the pavilion. Later, bins, shelves and counters have systematized its operations.

CISTERN.

A large rain-water cistern near, and for the use of Pavilion No. 2, was completed early in the summer; the eaves, troughs and leaders placed to catch and conduct its supply; also a Cowing pump, pipes, and other appliances, to secure the transmission of the water to the tank.

OLD PAVILIONS.

Towards the close of April, two old pavilions, each about 21 feet by 200 feet, were turned over by Hart's Island Hospital to this Institution, to be put into condition for the reception of 150 patients. Two little closet-like structures, connected with these, covering each a well, one bath-tub, and two water-closets, being not only useless but objectionable, were taken down and the plumbing fixtures laid aside for future use. The wells were cleaned out and the walls built higher. The underpinning of these pavilions, which was badly crippled by decay, was removed, the buildings raised to a level, and their proper supporting safely accomplished. New roof coverings were put on, and some of the flooring replaced. The plan embraced the division of each pavilion into two wards of 100 feet each, and the addition to each of a building to contain commodious bath room, water-closets, tank and heater. One of these pavilions was finished

at the close of August, and, on the 6th of September, 70 patients were received into it. The other pavilion will soon be ready. Dining rooms are imperatively needed for these pavilions if they are to be long used for the insane.

NEW PAVILION.

A third new pavilion, in many respects like the two lately completed, but much improved in some material respects, has been begun, the foundation being in progress. The basement of this structure is to be of brick, and the walls carried sufficiently high to make a complete story to be used for many imperative purposes. Indeed, it will be, sanitarily, better fitted for accommodation of patients than is the lower story of Blackwell's Island Institution. The superstructure will be of wood. It will be divided into two wards, each with its separate bath room and water-closets, but having a common dining room. The plan embraces two small wings, to be divided into twelve rooms for patients, a most important advantage over the other pavilions.

ENCLOSING UNDER PAVILION No. 2.

This work has been nearly completed, and in a space not originally intended to be utilized, but to be partially buried in grading, have been made three rooms for the Supervisors' use, viz: a bed-room, sitting-room and store-room; also three rooms for unpaid male help, viz: two dormitories and a dining-room. The enclosure embraces also a large space for rough storage, and a space for the principal refrigerator, &c.

WATER GUAGES.

Two of these, fitted with brass stop-cocks, have been connected, one with the tank which supplies the kitchen boiler, and the other with the hot water tank in Pavilion No. 1. These are for the safety of the heating fixtures. Pavilion No. 2, having a different arrangement of tanks, should be furnished with a dial guage.

TREES.

One hundred deciduous trees, embracing many varieties, have been planted about the grounds.

SEWERAGE.

The sewerage of the two old Pavilions was formerly very defective, and was but little improved when these buildings underwent repair. There is no trap of any kind connected with the plumbing. The

sewerage of the two new Pavilions was, for a time, still worse, because of the intervention of a masoned trap between each Pavilion and the shore. These traps were absolute storage places, each capable of holding about a cart-load of sewage, which, but for them, would have escaped through the sewer mouths. However useful such traps might be with large volumes of water passing through them, they were vastly worse than useless here, and have been removed, and the ends of the pipe connected. In a letter which I addressed to your Honorable Board, on August 15th last, I set forth these defects, and made statements and recommendations, some of which I quote:

"The water-closet in each new pavilion receives in two troughs the dejections from eighty-six persons. This sewage is washed *out of sight* by relatively small quantities of water from two faucets, each of about ¾-inch calibre. No leaden traps are placed close under these troughs to retain the last flow of water and prevent the sewer gas from escaping into the building. The 'plugs,' intended to produce this effect, must necessarily be frequently withdrawn, and, through forgetfulness or the interference of patients, these are often out for considerable periods of time. The waste pipes unite in a common sewer pipe, which, midway in its course to the shore, is interrupted, so to speak, by a masoned trap.

"The exhalations from the trap contents, though not blown, float slowly and steadily back into the building, while, probably, the very imperfectly washed communicating pipe adds its share to the poison. No practicable amount of assiduity can keep the trap entirely free from accumulation.

"Larger streams of water should be conducted to the troughs. All roof water not at present utilized should be gathered and conducted into the sewer pipes at points as near their origin as practicable.

"As to the *water supply*, I would state that the amounts now delivered into the tanks of these Pavilions at times exhaust the two cisterns, and reduce the well water to three feet of depth. At the time of writing this, the depth of water in one cistern is 10 inches; in the other, 2 feet 1 inch; and in the well, 3 feet 1 inch, (with about three hours pumping yet to be done). This pumping is now accomplished by one Work-house man; sometimes by two. The water thus supplied to the Pavilions gives enough to answer the uses *made* of it, and would be sufficient for ordinary necessities, *exclusive of water closets*, but the demands of efficient sewerage through such long pipes cannot be met with existing appliances.

"I would recommend, as I have heretofore done informally, that the sea water which surrounds us should be used in our water closet troughs, and be kept continually running in such quantities as would cause an unintermitting flow at each sewer outlet.

"I may be permitted to suggest that a reservoir might be constructed upon the Hill, which, filled with water from the Sound by a proper pump, would be able to supply every building upon the Island, and be, further, of incalculable value in case of fire."

Upon report of your Supervising Engineer hereupon, your Honorable Board sent up a steam pump and appliances for raising water from the Sound. When this pump shall be fairly in operation, as proposed, a great and needed sanitary advance will have been made.

On March 6th, Walter A. Newman, M.D., was appointed Assistant Physician. He had previously held a corresponding position in the Asylum on Blackwell's Island. His geniality, capability and experience have made his services very valuable to our patients and satisfactory to me.

On September 27th, Mrs. Theresa McLoughlin, for nearly two and a half years an attendant at the Blackwell's Island Asylum, was appointed Supervisor at this Institution. She has labored faithfully and well.

Our attendants, a large proportion of whom had experience among the insane before coming here, have, with two or three exceptions, been faithful and earnest in their arduous and responsible work.

Rev. Marinus Willett, a Department Chaplain, and Rev. Father Michel have administered to our people in public and in private.

Gratefully acknowledging the steady support of your Honorable Board during the year now closed.

I remain, very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

T. M. FRANKLIN,

Medical Superintendent.

TABLE 1.

Movement of the Population.

Number of patients remaining January 1, 1879		162
" " admitted during year		87
Total under treatment		249
Discharged recovered	2	
" "		
" improved		
" unimproved		
Died	15	
Transferred to New York City Lunatic Asylum	2	
		19
Remaining December 31, 1879		230

TABLE II.

Condition of Patients Discharged, Transferred and Died during the year 1879.

	Recovered.	Improved.	Unimproved.	Total.		Recovered.	Improved.	Unimproved.	Total.
Discharged	2	..	..	2	Brought forward	2	..	2	4
Transferred	..	..	2	2	Died	..	..	15	15
Carried forward	2	..	2	4	Total	2	..	17	19

TABLE III.—*Death Causes.*

Phthisis	3
Pneumonia	3
Chronic Bronchitis	1
Fatty Degeneration of Heart; Asthenia	1
Aortic Aneurism; Rupture	1
Epilepsy and Cerebral Hæmorrhage	1
Enteric Hæmorrhage	1
Cerebral Embolism; Softening	1
Hæmorrhagic Hemiplegia	1
Paralysis; Asthenia	1
General Paresis	1
Total	15

TABLE IV.

NATIVITIES.	Remaining Jan. 1, 1879.	Admitted during 1879.	Total.
Born in Ireland	96	56	152
" " Germany	34	13	47
" " United States	19	14	33
" " England	5	1	6
" " Canada	2	....	2
" " France	2	....	2
" " Sweden	2	....	2
" " Switzerland	1	....	1
" " Denmark	1	....	1
" " Scotland	....	1	1
" " Norway	...	1	1
" " Italy	....	1	1
Total	162	87	249

TABLE V.

TERM OF RESIDENCE IN THE UNITED STATES.	Remaining Jan. 1, 1879.	Admitted during 1879.	Total.
From 5 to 10 years	47	13	60
" 10 " 20 "	24	18	42
" 20 " 30 "	19	14	33
" 30 " 40 "	4	3	7
" 40 " 50 "	....	2	2
Life time	19	14	33
Unknown	49	23	72
Total	162	87	249

TABLE VI.

EDUCATION.	Remaining Jan. 1, 1879.	Admitted during 1879.	Total.
Liberal	1	....	1
Common	18	1	19
Slight	3	1	4
Reading, writing (one or both)	66	3	69
None	30	3	33
Unknown	44	79	123
Total	162	87	249

TABLE VII.

Civil Condition.	Remaining Jan. 1, 1879.	Admitted during 1879.	Total.
Married	50	23	73
Single	85	45	130
Widowed	20	15	35
Unknown	7	4	11
Total	162	87	249

TABLE VIII.

Religion.	Remaining Jan. 1, 1879.	Admitted during 1879.	Total.
Roman Catholic	104	60	164
Protestant	34	20	54
Hebrew	3	4	7
None	1	..	1
Unknown	20	3	23
Total	162	87	249

TABLE IX.

Occupation.	Remaining Jan. 1, 1879.	Admitted during 1879.	Total.
Housekeeper	33	17	50
Domestic	68	39	107
Seamstress	5	6	11
Embroiderer	1	..	1
Dressmaker	3	3	6
Laundress	2	1	3
Tailoress	2	..	2
Weaver	1	..	1
Washerwoman	1	..	1
Employment Agent	1	..	1
Prostitutes	2	..	2
Carried forward	119	66	185

Occupation.	Remaining Jan. 1, 1879.	Admitted during 1879.	Total.
Brought forward	119	66	185
Peddlar	2	..	2
Collar Maker	1	..	1
Paper-box Maker	..	1	1
Factory hand	..	1	1
Music Teacher	..	1	1
Nurse	..	1	1
School-girl	..	1	1
None	4	4	8
Unknown	36	12	48
Total	162	87	249

TABLE X.

Ages.	Remaining Jan. 1, 1879.	Admitted during 1879.	Total.
Under 20 years of age	2	5	7
Between 20 and 30 years	43	23	66
" 30 and 40 "	54	27	81
" 40 and 50 "	38	17	55
" 50 and 60 "	13	4	17
" 60 and 70 "	6	8	14
Unknown	6	3	9
Total	162	87	249

TABLE XI.

Term of residence in N. Y. C. Lunatic Asylum before admission to this Institution.

	Remaining Jan. 1, 1879.	Admitted during 1879.	Total.
Less than 3 months	2	..	2
From 3 months to 6 months.	8	2	10
" 6 " to 1 year	15	9	24
" 1 year to 2 years	23	6	29
" 2 " to 3 "	17	8	25
" 3 " to 5 "	27	20	47
" 5 " to 10 "	39	25	64
" 10 " to 15 "	27	10	37
" 15 " to 20 "	2	3	5
" 20 " to 30 "	1	4	5
" 30 " to 40 "	1	...	1
Total	162	87	249

TABLE XII.

Number of Attacks.

	Remaining Jan. 1, 1879.	Admitted during 1879.	TOTAL.		Remaining Jan. 1, 1879.	Admitted during 1879.	TOTAL.
1st Attack	145	80	225	Brought forward	161	86	247
2d "	11	4	15	5th Attack	1	...	1
3d "	3	1	4	6th "	..	...	...
4th "	2	1	3	7th "	...	1	1
Carried forward	161	86	247	Total	162	87	249

TABLE XIII.

Clothing and Bedding Made and Repaired.

	Knit.	Made.	Mended.		Knit.	Made.	Mended.
Women's Dresses	....	527	1309	Brought forward	873	2419	4828
" Petticoats	....	184	514	Men's Jackets	....	18	....
" Chemises, muslin	....	586	964	" Pants	....	33	4
" " cotton flannel	....	125	354	" Shirts	....	159	....
" Drawers, muslin	....	13	433	Sheets	....	564	35
" " cotton flannel	....	251	173	Blankets	....	55	....
" Bedgowns	....	199	....	Spreads	....	206	....
" Skirts	....	....	21	Bed ticks	....	602	60
" Aprons	....	55	....	Pillow cases	....	391	10
" Hoods	....	207	....	" ticks	...	185	....
" Shawls	....	232	....	Towels	....	324	....
" Bathing Suits	....	40	....	Shrouds	....	3	....
" Stockings	714	....	1046	Totals	873	4959	4937
Men's Socks	159	....	14				
Carried forward	873	2419	4828	Total articles made and mended	10,769		

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PHOTOGRAPHIC DEPARTMENT.

BELLEVUE HOSPITAL, January 1, 1880.

HON. TOWNSEND COX,

President Department of

Public Charities and Correction.

SIR.—With this I have the honor of transmitting my report of the transactions and expenses incurred in connection with the Photographic Department at Bellevue Hospital, during the year 1879.

The work of Photographing important hospital cases has been continued on very much the same plan as that followed during the last few years. Many peculiar cases have been so fully illustrated as to enable the surgeon who reads the histories of such cases to understand the minute details and changes produced by the special treatment used much more clearly than would be possible by a mere written description. These illustrated histories of condition, treatment and results must of necessity be invaluable as studies in the future treatment of hospital cases of like character.

The gallery continues to be often visited by surgeons of the Department when about to perform some important or rare operation, in order to learn whether any similar cases may have been photographed through which they may understand more fully the methods used and the results obtained.

As one of the agents for the relief of human suffering and a means by which the best methods of speedy recovery are recorded, photography now occupies an important place, and it must be a source of no little gratification to those who were its first advocates to know that their wisdom has been acknowledged by the recent establishment of like features in the hospitals of other cities in our own and foreign lands.

The old methods of illustrating disease, apparatus and treatment by hand-drawing is fast becoming obsolete. No draftsman has an eye as true as the camera, or a pencil as steady and exact in its lines as the beams of light which traces the image on the sensitive plate.

The Medical profession of New York and the especial Department of the City Government under your Honorable Board may well take pride in the fact of having been the pioneers of this important work.

The work of photographing the unknown dead at the Morgue has become so well known that the collection thus formed is in almost constant requisition by those in search of missing friends, and there are strong reasons for believing that this feature of the Department work exerts a restraining influence upon the criminal classes who may well fear some of the tales which dead men now tell through the pictures made in the Morgue. Unknown victims of crime are no longer quietly hidden from sight or easily forgotten. Their faces are always visible, waiting for recognition and testimony.

Below will be found a summary of work done and expenses incurred during the year:

Cases Photographed	114	
Morgue cases	41	
Stock on hand January, 1879		$47 60
Chemicals, &c., purchased during year		103 36
		$150 96
Stock on hand January, 1880		23 13
Expended during the year		$127 83

Respectfully submitted,

O. G. MASON,

Photographer.

J. FREY,

Superintendent.

OUT-DOOR POOR.

HON. TOWNSEND COX,

President Department of

Public Charities and Correction.

SIR.—I herewith respectfully submit the following report of the Out-Door Poor Department for the year ending December 31, 1879.

Admissions to the different Institutions from Central Office.

ADULTS.		
To Examining Physician,	13,035	
" Charity Hospital direct,	1,768	
" Homœopathic Hospital direct,	34	
" Randall's Island Hospital,	245	
" Hart's Island Hospital,	7	
" Alms House,	959	
" Work House.	88	
" Colored Home,	422	
		16,558
CHILDREN.		
To Infants' Hospital,	682	
" Nursery Hospital,	257	
		939
Discharged to Parents and Guardians,		562
Interments in City Cemetery from Central Office,		1,870
Requisitions granted on Complaint of Abandonment,		726
Number of Families supplied with Coal,		15,413
Amount of coal distributed,		9,221½ tons
Number of Adult Blind relieved with money,		500
Amount distributed to same,	$20,000	

Transportation has been afforded to *four hundred and ninety-nine* sick and destitute persons to reach their homes, thereby preventing them from becoming a charge to the county.

There has also been sent through this bureau *four hnndred and thirteen persons* to the State Alms House at Flatbush, there to be cared for or forwarded to their homes as State paupers.

Very respectfully,

WILLIAM BLAKE,

Superintendent.

ASSISTANT SECRETARY'S REPORT.

NEW YORK, January 1, 1880.

HON. TOWNSEND COX,

President Department of

Public Charities and Correction.

SIR.—I respectfully report that the receipts of the Department for the year 1879 were as follows, viz.:

For steamboats and ferries	$6,856 17
" board	2,157 00
" rent	4,000 00
" interments	3 00
" conscience money	5 00
" sales	378 85
" board of convicts (State)	13,600 40
" " " (U. S.)	657 00
" heating Bellevue Medical College	310 13
" fines (City Prison)	10,936 00
" " (Work-house)	149 50
Total	$39,053 05

Very respectfully,

G. F. BRITTON,

Assistant Secretary.

COLORED ORPHAN ASYLUM.

January 1, 1879.

HON. TOWNSEND COX,
President Department of
Public Charities and Correction.

SIR.—The Managers of the Association for the benefit of Colored Orphans, in presenting this Annual Report to the public, would gratefully acknowledge the generosity of those who have given of their means to aid in this work, thanking them for the kind thoughtfulness that has been shown at all times to the children under our charge.

They have not only enabled us to minister to their actual wants and daily needs, but have also given them many holiday pleasures. So that these little orphan children have learned, like the dear ones in our own homes, to look forward to the happy Thanksgiving and the joyful Christmas time; to anticipate the delightful Summer excursion, and the pleasant visit to our great Annual Exhibition.

Their young lives are thus brightened, and when in after years they enter upon the cares and duties of life, their hearts will turn with happy memories to this home of their childhood, and will, we trust, be lifted in grateful thanks to the Father of all, who has influenced His children to establish and support this Institution.

The year has passed without unusual or exciting incident. We continue to lament our inability to care for children under two years of age, and hope the time may not be far distant when our income will enable us to enlarge our building and organize an Infant Nursery.

The general health of the children has been good; the few cases of serious illness have yielded, with but three exceptions, to the treatment of our skillful physician.

We have each year to acknowledge very many acceptable donations, also the very efficient aid of the Flushing Sewing Society,

Rutherford Place, and of the Society of 'St. Thomas' Church. Were we obliged to purchase the articles donated, or to pay for the making of the hundreds of garments necessary for these children, it would add a large item to our yearly expenditure.

On the 29th of August, by invitation of Mr. Richard H. Greene, our large family of children, in company with those of other institutions, were taken on an excursion up the Hudson, to Alpine Grove, Mr. John H. Starin generously furnishing the use of his barge and granting the liberty of his grove.

September 9th, forty-three of our Nursery children—two carriage loads—were treated to a pleasant ride to the north end of the island, by Mr. Wm. H. Ramsear, General Manager and Secretary of "Old Gentlemen's Home," East 120th Street.

In October, 115 of our largest children were permitted to visit the American Institute Fair, and the Museums in the Park, by invitation of Mr. J. W. Barnes.

SUPERINTENDENT'S STATEMENT

For the year ending December 1, 1879.

Number of children admitted since the opening, June 9, 1837. (Incorporated April 16, 1838)		2,374
Number of children, December 1, 1878	307	
Received since, 45 boys and 33 girls	78	
Whole number during the year		385
Released during the year, 51 boys and 40 girls, as follows:		
By indenture, 20 boys, 9 girls	29	
Trial for indenture, 2 boys, 4 girls	6	
Sent to places without indenture, 7 boys and 4 girls	11	
Returned to friends	42	
Died	3	
		91
Present number, 175 boys, 119 girls		294
Average number during the year	291	

The following table is added to show the ages of the children admitted:

3—2	years old.	7— 7	years old.
9—3	"	10— 8	"
6—4	"	9— 9	"
8—5	"	5—10	"
4—6	"	5—14	"

Nine children have been returned by masters and three returned voluntarily. Nine of these were soon furnished with other homes. A number of children have been received from different county Alms-houses, under the Act of January 13, 1876, to "Provide for the better Care of Pauper and Destitute Children." Several destitute children, fourteen years of age, have been committed to our care by Police Justices, for whom we obtained good homes in a few days.

O. K. HUTCHINSON.

TEACHER'S REPORT, 1879.

Number of children taught during the year	333	Printing on slates	52
Number of children now receiving instruction	261	Mental arithmetic	168
Alphabet class	24	Written arithmetic	168
Reading in easy lessons	90	Oral arithmetic	190
Reading in advanced lessons	119	Geography from books	119
Writing in books	71	Geography, orally	48
Writing on slates	166	History of the United States	35
		Physiology from books	35

The School is divided into six classes of the Primary Grades. Spelling from books is taught in four classes; Dictation and Composition in three classes. Oral instruction in Natural History, Physiology and United States History is given throughout the school.

Girls over ten years of age receive, weekly, two hours' instruction in sewing. Our thanks are due to Miss Landon, Miss Bates, and Miss A. Bates, who have taken full charge of the sewing class.

Eighty-two children, including twenty-two from the Nursery, have been admitted into the school since the last report, twenty-five of whom did not know the alphabet.

JENNIE M. SCUDDER.

PHYSICIAN'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 1, 1879.

To the Board of Managers of the Colored Orphan Asylum:

Diseases requiring attendance of physicians:

Dislocation of Shoulder	1
Fracture of Thigh (compound)	1
Abscess	4
Malarious Fever	5
Pleurisy	3
Pulmonary Consumption	2
Meningitis (Tubercular)	2
Disease of Eye	5
Pneumonia	4
Dysentery	1

DEATHS.

Pulmonary Phthisis, age 5	1
Tubercular Meningitis, ages 5 and 7	2

Respectfully,

WM. FROTHINGHAM.

AV. ST. NICHOLAS, 157th St.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

The Association for the Benefit of Colored Orphans, in account with SARAH GRACE VAN DUSEN, *Treasurer.*

DR.	RECEIPTS.	
Dec. 1, 1878.		
To Cash Balance	$ 194	13
" Com. of Charities and Correction	4,697	11
" Donations	337	85
" Subscriptions	891	00
" Interest on Investments	9,152	47
" Board of Inmates	3,340	71
" Sale of Bonds	2,037	50
" Excise Fund	2,295	99
" Board of Education	2,692	34
" Lapsed Stipend	680	00
" Legacy	1,200	00
	$27,519	10

CR.	EXPENDITURES.	
Dec. 1, 1879.		
By Cash, House Expenses	$2,425	40
" Food	8,213	65
" Clothing and Shoes	1,705	40
" Bedding	511	58
" Medical Attendance	200	00
" Wages and Salaries	4,844	54
" Teachers	1,404	78
" Books and Printing	183	02
" Fuel	1,230	82
" Repairs and Improvements	393	84
" Taxes	660	00
" Insurance	118	00
" Furniture	63	86
" Invested in U. S. Bonds	4,487	96
" For Education of a boy in Hampton, from fund donated for that purpose by Mrs. C. P. Stokes.	35	00
	$26,477	85
1879.		
Dec. 1, Balance on hand	1,041	25
	$27,519	10

SARAH GRACE VAN DUSEN, *Treasurer.*

This Report has been examined with the Vouchers, and found to be correct.

RICHARD H. GREENE,
SAMUEL B. VAN DUSEN, } *Auditing Committee.*

SARAH F. UNDERHILL, *Treasurer Stipend Fund, in account with the Association for the Benefit of Colored Orphans.*

Dr.		Cr.	
1878. 12th mo.		1879. 12th mo.	
To Balance, last Report	$585 40	By Amount deposited in Bowery Savings Bank on account of Children	$605 72
Cash received from Masters	627 72	Paid to Children after leaving the Institution	175 00
" Lapsed Stipend	657 00	Lapsed Stipend paid Treasurer General Fund	657 00
" Interest on Bonds	50 00	Returned to Masters	15 00
" " Mortgage	175 00	Expended on account of Children	42 00
		Postage, etc	3 25
		Balance on hand	597 15
	$2,095 12		$2,095 12

The above account has been examined by me, compared with the vouchers, and found correct. The balance now in the hands of the Treasurer is five hundred and ninety-seven dollars and fifteen cents.

DAVID S. TABER.

COLORED HOME.

January 1, 1879.

HON. TOWNSEND COX,

President Department of

Public Charities and Correction.

SIR.—The Managers of the Colored Home present the Thirty-ninth Annual Report of that Institution.

There has been no change in the Board of Management during the year past; the Angel of Death has passed us by, leaving us, we trust, with renewed determination and strength, to continue this work in the cause of suffering humanity.

Every Department of the Home has been well looked after, and a just economy observed; when it could consistently be done, within the limits of the treasury, an increase of comforts have been added, for which the inmates testify their gratitude.

We return thanks for the general prosperity of the Institution. Owing to a reduction in the prices of supplies of all kinds, the Treasurer is able to report a balance in the treasury, which lifts us from the impoverished condition in which the close of the year has generally found us, and we are, to a certain extent, prepared for the various contingencies which we are constantly called upon to meet. The past year the Institution has been comparatively free from the burden of assessments on our property, which have hitherto borne so heavily on us. We have, however, at present in prospect a heavy tax of this kind, which we can not hope to keep off for more than a few months at the farthest. We sincerely hope that this honest statement of our financial affairs will not be misunderstood or turned to our disadvantage, so that we shall be passed by in the distribution of favors.

The Colored Home, although for the moment relieved from the embarrassment of debt, is still far from being above want; the old

buildings of the Institution, which are only kept comfortable by the constant outlay of money for repairs, speak for themselves; and in many other ways the opportunities for doing good are very much hampered for want of means.

We think that the name of the Institution fails to indicate the breadth and extent of the work done there. The Home is intended for *all* classes of destitute colored people. It is not only, as it is frequently supposed, intended for the aged, which would of itself be a commendable work, but it also includes a lying-in department and general hospital for all diseases which are not contagious, besides giving an asylum, and taking care of a large number of incurables, who pass years of suffering beneath its roof. The most pleasant part of the Home work is to pass through the wards where the old people are; a few kind words of sympathy and condolence, or a few moments spent in reading, is a great comfort, and helps them to bear more easily the heavy burden of life, which often extends into the ninetieth, and sometimes into the hundredth year of their existence. They all look comfortable, and in most cases express gratitude for the blessings of the "Home." Of course we are prepared to find among them all shades of character, still some of these old people are saints on earth, so humble and so patient; "waiting," as they say, "to be sent for, to the Home on High."

The need of a Colored Hospital in the city is well understood by those who know anything of this peculiar people; it is not convenient for other city hospitals to take colored patients, and it is done in comparatively few instances.

Consumption in its various forms seems especially to mark the colored race for its victims; there are always a large proportion of this class of patients, lingering for months, and frequently for years, in the Home hospital.

The ladies of the Fruit and Flower Mission have been very kind, in trying to put a little brightness into the lives of these poor sufferers, still more comforts and delicacies for the sick would be very acceptable.

The Managers of the Home make it a rule to keep pace with their income in all improvements which they may desire to make; this year, being a little less straightened, they felt warranted in doing what has long been felt to be an urgent necessity. A capable nurse

has been employed to superintend the female department of the sick. We have been fortunate in securing the services of a conscientious woman, and a great deal has been done toward increasing the comforts of the patients. The gentlemen composing the Medical Council, who so kindly volunteer their services, can testify to the serious and delicate surgical operations successfully performed at the Home every year. The large percentage of those who entirely recover and return to their various humble avocations, we think speak well for the good nursing and nutritious food provided for them while in a convalescing state.

The necessity for sustaining this charity will be recognized by all reasonable and humane people ; it is the only Institution of the kind in the city intended for colored persons.

The Home is an old and thoroughly tested charitable institution, which has grown with the growth of the city. It was established forty years ago, by some well-known benevolent ladies, whose attention had been called to the misery and suffering of the poor and sick colored people of New York.

At the present time over three hundred destitute and sick persons are provided for at the Home; during the summer months, the number falls off to about two hundred.

It is not our intention to turn this report into an appeal, but it is necessary for the existence of the Institution that it should be understood by the benevolent public, that it does not receive from the Commissioners of Public Charities, anything like a sufficient allowance for its support. The Managers have repeatedly urged upon the Commissioners the propriety of putting the Colored Home and Hospital on a footing with other charitable institutions of the City, doing the same kind of work, in their various branches. As yet we have failed in convincing them of the reasonableness of our request, we hope from year to year, that justice will assert itself, and that a proportionate allowance of the public funds will yet be given this unpretending charity which we represent.

From financial affairs of the Home, we turn with pleasure to the moral and spiritual part of our work.

A kind but firm discipline is maintained by the Superintendent, which has an excellent moral effect on the inmates. In gathering together all classes of people in the Home, as well as in any other

asylum, there are evils which we would like to avoid; still we feel sure that the Colored Home has been an agency for good, and a reformatory for many who have sought a refuge under its roof.

The impressionable nature of colored people make them peculiarly alive to religious truths, and under the circumstances in which they come to the Home, houseless, weary and sick, they are easily approached with kind words, and they quickly take in the bright and blessed thought that there is hope and a place in heaven for such as they.

We refrain from mentioning any of the cases of undoubted conversion which have been reported to us; but we can not question the testimony of dying lips, any more than we can doubt the reality of a profession that is followed by an entire reformation of life.

Our excellent chaplain, the Rev. Mr. Horton, reports that during the ten years of his ministerial work at the Home, it has been his privilege, in the way of preaching and personal conversation, to communicate with six thousand souls; thirteen hundred of these have passed to their final account; a goodly number, he believes, died at peace with their Maker and Judge.

In our homes, constantly surrounded by family cares and objects to divert and interest us, we can scarcely realize the monotony of the lives of the inmates of the Home, or how much any little effort to divert them is appreciated. To those whose lives have been only a succession of toil and care and who know nothing about luxuries, a very small treat gives pleasure and satisfaction.

The Strawberry and Christmas Festivals, provided by the Managers and a few outside friends, are hailed with childish delight; they begin thinking and talking of them weeks beforehand. It is really touching to see their humble efforts to appear respectable on these occasions; very many of the inmates have known better days; the faded Sunday dress, which has been worn from time to time, is brought out and carefully and tenderly brushed and made ready, sometimes the addition of some long-treasured object of ill-assorted finery may provoke a smile, which is quickly repressed by the tender thought, "they have done their best."

The festival consists of a substantial feast, which is tastefully arranged by some of the men who, in their more prosperous days, have been caterers, or waiters in respectable families. After all have par-

taken freely of the good things, of which there is an abundance, and a cup of tea or coffee has served to cheer their hearts, a few pleasant words from the chaplain or some other gentleman present, is a signal for more general merriment; greetings are exchanged, and harmless jokes indulged in; the liberal and promiscuous rendering of the English language making them sometimes irresistible. Songs of praise are devoutly sung, interspersed with old plantation refrains and ditties, which they pour forth with all the pathos of their musical natures. All seem pleased and happy; after a suitable length of time a short prayer is said by the Chaplain and the people retire to their different wards, chatting by the way of the good time they have had.

During the Summer a picnic was gotten up by the Chaplain, for the older, and, as he says, "stand-by" members of the Home. Mr. Horton, at his residence in Harlem, has sufficient grounds for an out-of-door entertainment, to which we wish it was oftener in our power to treat the people.

The Managers fully appreciate Mr. Horton's efforts to give some of the Home people a little touch of sunshine; we can wish him nothing better than that it may be reflected back into his own heart, and that he may be long spared to break the "Bread of Life" to the Home congregation.

As we have not the names of the friends who provided conveyances to take the inmates to and from the picnic, or of those who kindly furnished the table with substantials and luxuries, we can only include them in our general return of thanks for all favors and consideration granted to the Home during the past year.

REPORT OF THE RESIDENT PHYSICIAN.

At the close of another year it again becomes my duty to submit the Annual Report of the Colored Home.

The number of admissions during the year, especially to the Hospital Department, has been somewhat less than heretofore.

The diseases treated have been in the main of a chronic nature, and of a necessarily fatal character in many instances.

The Managers, having felt the need of a more reliable and intelligent care of the sick in the female Hospital ward than we have hitherto had, have, during the past year, secured the services of a nurse, Miss Battey, who performs the service with ability and fidelity.

I send herewith the usual tables showing the number of admissions, discharges, and deaths; the diseases treated; and the diseases causing death.

Drs. Arthur H. Leary, the House Physician; and W. H. Harison, the Assistant, are faithful and assiduous in their attention to the patients.

Respectfully,

SAMUEL WHITALL,

Superintendent.

COLORED HOME, 10 Mo. 1, 1879.

TABLE A.

Diseases treated in Colored Home Hospital, during the Year ending 9th Mo. 30, 1879.

Diseases.	Ages and Sex.																					
	Under 1.		1 to 10.		10 to 20.		20 to 30.		30 to 40.		40 to 50.		50 to 60.		60 to 70.		70 to 80.		80 to 90.		Total.	
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
Abscess											1										1	
Abscess, Mammary										1												1
Abscess, Pelvic										1												1
Abscess, Vulvo-vaginal								1														1
Adenitis, Cheesy																1						1
Amaurosis				1							2				3						5	1
Anæmia													1								1	
Aneurism, Abdominal											1	1			1						2	1
Aneurism, Carotid											1										1	
" Aorta, Thoracic																1						1
Angioleucitis															1						1	
Anteflexion Uteri						2		1														3
Arthritis, Rheumatoid															1		1	1			2	1
Asthma													1				1				1	1
Brain, Embolism											1					1	1				2	1
Brain, Hemorrhage														1								1
Brain, Softening									1		1	3					1		1		4	3
Bright's, Chronic						1	2	11	1	6	2	4		9	3	4	1	2	1		10	27
Bronchitis, Acute								1														1
Bronchitis, Chronic						1							1		1			1			2	2
Bronchitis and Gangrene of Lung																				1		1
Carcinoma Hepatis											1										1	
Carcinoma Mammae										1				1								1
Caries of Tibia														1								1
Cataract								1		1		1										3
Cellulitis of Arm									1												1	
Cellulitis, Pelvic								2		2				1								4
Chancroid					1		4		1												6	
Chancroid Phagedenic								1	1												1	1
Cirrhosis of Liver									1												1	
Colica Pictonum									1												1	
Congelatio							1				1										2	
Dementia									1												1	
Diphtheria						1					1					1					2	1
Dysentery, Chronic							1														1	
Emphysema Pulmonum											1										1	
Epididymitis							1		1												2	
Epilepsy						1						1										1
Epulis																1						1
Erysipelas, Facial			1					1								1		1			1	1
Fever, Typhoid							1	1													2	1
Fibroma Uteri																		1				1
Fistula in Ano												1										1
Fistula, Recto-Vaginal										1												1
Fistula, Urinary													1								1	
Fracture of Clavicle									1												1	
Fracture of Femur																						1
Gastritis, Acute													1								1	
Gastritis, Chronic								1	1	1				1							1	3
Genu Valgum													1								2	
Gonorrhœa						1	1	1		1											1	3
Gout											2				1						3	
Gummata									1				1								2	
Hemiplegia												1		1		1						3
Hernia, Inguinal										1	2		1								3	1
Hernia, Umbilical	1																				1	
Hypochondriasis							1					1									1	1
Hysteria						1		2						1								4
Intest. Obst. by Bands												1										1
Locomotor Ataxia																		1				1
Carried forward	1		1	1	1	8	12	24	12	16	17	15	7	16	11	11	5	7	2	1	70	100

TABLE A.—*Continued.*

Diseases.	Ages and Sex.																					
	Under 1.		1 to 10.		10 to 20.		20 to 30.		30 to 40		40 to 50.		50 to 60.		60 to 70.		70 to 80.		80 to 90.		Total.	
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
Brought forward	1	..	1	1	1	8	12	24	12	16	17	15	7	16	11	11	5	7	2	1	70	100
Lumbago	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..
Malaria	..	..	..	..	1	..	3	..	2	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7	..
Masturbation	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..
Meningitis Cere. Spinal	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..
Meningitis, Chronic	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	1	1	..	1	2	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	4
Meningitis, Traumatic	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Myelitis	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1
Necrosis	..	..	..	..	2	..	3	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	2
Ophthal. Neonatorum	1	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	3
Orchitis	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..
Otitis Media	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..
Ovaritis	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Pachymeningitis	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Panophthalmitis	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..
Perineum, Laceration of	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Peritonitis, Acute	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Peritonitis, Chronic	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1
Peritonitis, Puerperal	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
Peritonitis, Tubercular	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Pertussis	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..
Pharyngitis	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1
Phymosis	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	2	..
Phthisis	1	..	1	1	3	2	16	13	12	7	3	1	2	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	38	24
Pleurisy, Sub-acute	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..
Pneumonia, Acute	2	1	..	..	..	1	1	1	2	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	7	3
Pregnancy	..	..	..	..	..	12	..	30	..	5	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	48
Pseudo-leukaemia	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..
Rachitis	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1
Rectum, Stricture of	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
Rheumatism, Acute	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	2
Rheumatism, Chronic	..	..	..	..	..	1	4	..	3	1	1	1	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	1	10	5
Rubeola	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..
Sarcoma, Disseminated	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1
Senectus	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	2
Sprained Ankle	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..
Synovitis	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	5	1
Syphilis, Congenital	7	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7	2
Syphilis, Constitutional	..	..	..	..	5	7	34	17	11	8	11	5	4	..	5	2	..	..	..	..	70	39
Tonsillitis, Suppurative	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	3
Ulcer, Chronic	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	2	..	1	2	..	1	..	..	..	3	6
Urethra, Stricture of	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..
Valvular	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	4	1	1	4	4	..	2	..	2	..	..	..	1	6	14
Wound, Contused	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..
Wound, Gunshot	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..
Total	13	6	3	3	18	35	83	103	54	44	43	34	18	21	22	18	8	9	2	4	265	277

TABLE B.

Deaths in Colored Home Hospital during the Year ending 9th Mo. 30, 1879.

Diseases.	Ages and Sex.																				Total.	
	Under 1.		1 to 10.		10 to 20.		20 to 30.		30 to 40.		40 to 50.		50 to 60.		60 to 70.		70 to 80.		80 to 90.			
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
Aneurism, Abdominal																1						1
Aneurism, Aortic											1										1	
Aneurism, Carotid											1										1	
Asthma																	1				1	
Bright's Disease, Chronic							1	6	1	3	2	1		2	2			3	1		7	15
Bronchitis, Chronic													1								1	
Carcinoma, Hepatis											1										1	
Carcinoma Mammae														1								1
Cellulitis, Pelvic										1												1
Cheesey Degeneration Peritonal Glands																1						1
Cerebral Hemorrhage																1						1
Diarrhœa, Acute		1				1																2
Diarrhœa, Chronic					1						1					1					2	1
Emphysema											1										1	
Epulis																1						1
Erysipelas, Facial																	1	1			1	1
Fever, Typhoid								1														1
Fibroma, Uteri																						1
Intest. Obst. by Bands												1										1
Meningitis, Chronic								1				1		1								3
Myelitis								1	1												1	1
Peritonitis, Acute						1																1
Peritonitis, Chronic												1										1
Peritonitis, Puerperal						1		2														3
Peritonitis, Tubercular				1																		1
Phthisis	1		1		2		15	7	2	5	1		1								23	12
Pleurisy, Sub-acute											1										1	
Pneumonia, Acute								1							1						1	1
Pseudo-leukaemia													1								1	
Senectus																	1				1	
Septicemia from injury														1								1
Stricture of Rectum										1												1
Syphilis, Congenital	5	1																			5	1
Syphilis, Constitutional							1	1			2		1								4	1
Typho-malarial Fever														1								2
Valvular												2				1						3
Total	6	2	1	1	3	4	17	20	4	10	11	6	4	6	3	6	3	5	1		53	60

TABLE C.

Admissions, Discharges and Deaths during the Year ending 9th mo. 30, 1879.

HOSPITAL DEPARTMENT.	M.	F.	T.
Remaining 9 mo. 30, 1878	58	69	127
Admissions during the year	187	166	353
Total	245	235	480
Discharges (M. 141, F. 129, T. 270)			
Deaths (M. 48, F. 47, T. 95)	189	176	365
Remaining 9 mo. 30, 1879	56	59	115

ALMS HOUSE DEPARTMENT.	M.	F.	T.
Remaining 9 mo. 30, 1878	13	46	59
Admissions during the year	45	69	114
Total	58	115	173
Discharges (M. 35, F. 58, T. 93)			
Deaths (M. 5, F. 9, T. 14)	40	67	107
Remaining 9 mo. 30, 1879	18	48	66

The Colored Home, in account with Susan F. Colgate, Treasurer, from October 1, 1878, to September 1, 1879, inclusive.

Dr.		Cr.	
To cash paid for Meat	$4,200 07	By cash balance, as per last report, October 1, 1878	$3,627 67
" " Bread	2,669 52	" " from the Comptroller for board of inmates sent by the City to the Home, September, 1878	1,246 79
" " Groceries	2,229 55	October, "	1,316 63
" " Drugs	667 25	November, "	1,404 68
" " Provisions	823 76	December, "	1,534 86
" " Milk	469 48	January, 1879	1,679 74
" " Dry Goods	536 75	February, "	1,622 46
" " Fuel, Wood, &c	2,022 73	March, "	1,721 40
" " Stationery	69 40	April, "	1,551 31
" " Soap	471 25	May, "	1,418 64
" " Paints	140 53	June, "	1,233 40
" " Insurance	181 90	July, "	1,307 07
" " Shoes	304 85	August, "	1,217 23
" " Hardware	939 78	By cash received for Board	183 40
" " Repairs, Plumbing, Lumber	1,359 71	" " " Interest	1,403 75
" " Straw	162 99	" " on acct. Shatzel Fund	540 00
" " Surgical Instruments	43 09	" " " Jay Fund	25 00
" " Ice	80 15	" " from Subscriptions	1,009 00
" " Furniture	146 25	" " " Excise Fund	1,000 00
" " Water Tax	350 00		
" " House Expenses, per Miss Booth	1,300 00		
" " Sundries	66 66		
" " Bal. due on Invest't, as per account	194 07		
" " Salary Resident Physician	1,000 00		
" " " Chaplain	300 00		
" " " Stewards	700 00		
" " " Matron, (last quar. not pd.)	262 50		
" Balance cash to new account	3,350 14		
	$25,042 38		$25,042 38
		By cash on hand	$3,350 14

Examined and found correct, New York, November 4, 1879.

ANNA T. VAN SANTVOOD,
SARAH L. I. WHITING, } *Auditors.*

SUSAN F. COLGATE, *Treasurer.*

E. E. NEW YORK, October 1, 1879.